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**INJURED IN SCRAP BETWEEN K.O.S.B.'S AND AMERICANS
TWO MEN IN CUSTODY**

An affray between British soldiers and American sailors in Chater Road, outside the Hotel Savoy, at midnight yesterday, resulted in Detective Sergeant T. Whelan being injured in the head.

The Sergeant, who was off duty last night, had attended the Helgenland dance at the Savoy and while dancing his attention was attracted by a disturbance in the street.

He immediately rushed downstairs and got in the midst of the fighters to try and quell the disturbance. Then he was alleged to have been hit on the back of the head with a cane by a soldier of the King's Own Scottish Borderers.

Injury Not Serious

Sergeant Whelan received a scalp wound which had to be attended to at the Government Civil Hospital, where three stitches were put in. The officer's injury was not serious and he was not detained at the hospital.

The disturbance was finally quelled by other Police officers, who were quickly summoned to the scene, and they took into custody two men of the K.O.S.B.—Privates Cooke and Spira. They were taken to the Central Police Station where they were detained until 12.30, when they were handed over to a Military escort on a charge of disorderly conduct.

It is understood that the two men will be dealt with by the Military authorities.

BICYCLE HIRED TO COMMIT THEFT

**CHINESE WHO RODE OFF WITH GOLD RINGS
SALESMAN DUPED**

The misuse of a hired bicycle by a Chinese who hired it for the purpose of committing a theft, was brought to light at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning when Chan Yee (21), unemployed, faced Mr. Whyte-Smith on a charge of the theft of a gold mounted ring, valued at \$10.70, the property of the Door Door Fuk goldsmith shop at 343, Shanghai Street, Yau-mat.

The defendant entered a plea of guilty to the charge.

Sergeant Barnico, who prosecuted, said that the defendant went to the shop yesterday afternoon and asked if he could see some rings, as he wished to buy one. The salesman produced several gold rings, and placed them on the counter for inspection. The defendant made his choice and when the salesman went to make the bill out the man disappeared.

"Catch Thief"

The defendant ran out of the shop, got on his hired bicycle, and rode off as fast as he possibly could towards the Yau-mat Post Office. The fink of the shop chased him and called out "Catch thief."

At Waterloo Road, the defendant turned down into Canton Road, and at this stage the fink found a Chinese detective nearby, and informed him of the theft.

The detective then boarded a bus and proceeded towards Mongkok, where he alighted at Argyle Street and waited for the cyclist.

Luckily, however, the thief came along the road, and was stopped by the detective, who questioned him regarding the theft.

The defendant admitted stealing it at the police station, and later he took the police to the spot where he had concealed the ring, in a crevice by a street fountain.

The prosecuting officer pointed out that the defendant had no criminal record, and the Magistrate passed sentence of two months' jail with hard labour.

BICYCLE NUISANCE

"I have been trying my best to stop these Chinese people hiring bicycles at night, and making a nuisance of themselves," said Mr. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning to a Chinese boy, who admitted riding a bicycle without a lighted lamp at 9.15 p.m.

Sergeant Hughes told the Magistrate that he accepted the defendant's story that his light had just gone out and he was about to re-light it when he was caught.

The defendant was cautioned.

WASTING WATER

In a case at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning, a Chinese woman was fined \$1 for wasting water at a street fountain, she was remanded to the Magistrate's court for the next day.

The defendant was cautioned.

BRITAIN AND CHINA TREATIES

**INSTRUCTIONS TO SIR MILES LAMPSON NOT DISCLOSED
QUERY IN PARLIAMENT**

London, Yesterday.

In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Arthur Henderson regretted his inability to disclose the instructions to Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister at Peking, regarding the abolition of extraterritoriality while the negotiations were progressing, and pointed out that he had already undertaken to lay all Treaties before the House, and have a discussion before their ratification.—Reuter.

TURKEY AND OPIUM CONVENTIONS

**BRITAIN'S HOPE THAT THEY WILL BE RATIFIED
WORLD ACTION NEEDED**

Rugby, Yesterday.

Mr. Arthur Henderson was asked in the House of Commons whether the Foreign Office had taken or would take steps to induce Turkey, and Persia to ratify the opium conventions, seeing how far the success of the anti-drug campaign depended upon united international action.

He replied that the British representatives in Turkey had from time to time urged upon the Turkish Government the desirability of their acceding to the opium conventions and the question of Persia's attitude to the conventions had been the subject of discussion at the Council of the League of Nations, of which Persia was a member. Neither the Turkish nor the Persian Government could be in any doubt regarding the importance attached by the British Government as by other parties to the opium conventions to their undertaking at an early date of the obligations of these instruments.—British Wireless Service.

THE LEE CHEUNG WRECK ECHO

**GOVERNMENT AWARD TO RESCUER
HARBOUR OFFICE FUNCTION**

There was a large number of boat people present at the Harbour Office this morning when Comdr. G. F. Hole, Harbour Master, made a presentation on behalf of the Government to the master of a junk, who picked up one of the survivors of the s.s. Lee Cheung.

The Lee Cheung, it will be remembered, was on a voyage from Swatow to Hong Kong about two months ago, and when she was nearing Waglan, she foundered. Over 200 persons were lost. Only two members of the crew were picked up.

After congratulating the master of the good work he had done, the Harbour Master presented him with a cheque for \$25.

CHINESE IN CANADA

Increase in Number of Emigrants

Canton, Yesterday.

Recent reports from Canada suggest that Chinese affairs have been receiving considerable attention from the British Press. The fact that the number of Chinese emigrants into Canada has been lately increasing has awakened Canadian interest in the general events that are taking place in China. Large headlines followed by editorial comments have been given to the subjects of the abolition of extraterritoriality and the protection to foreign nationals.

A short time ago, one of the leading journals on economics despatched a representative to Japan and China to study the trade and commercial as well as the social conditions in these countries. This representative has gone back, and the results of his investigations have been published, with some considerable data, which are receiving wide publicity in that country.

The Chinese and Japanese in Canada have formed a society for the purpose of promoting Sino-Japanese friendship since last November, and is reported that much progress has been made in furthering the object of the society. It may be stated that one of the purposes of the society, while not expressed in letter, is understood to be for mutual protection against arbitrary actions of local labour unions, which attempt to discriminate against Chinese labour.

REAR-ADMIRAL BYRD RESCUED

**EXPLORER AND FORTY-TWO COMPANIONS SAFE
LOST IN THE ICE-PACKS**

New York, Yesterday.

Rear-Admiral Byrd and forty-two of his companions have been rescued.—Reuter's American Service.

[A message from Oslo on January 27 stated:]

The fears entertained in the United States for the safety of the Byrd Antarctic Expedition, which is now installed in camp in Little America, with their supply ship unavailably owing to the unprecedentedly heavy ice barrier, is not shared by the Norwegians in the vicinity.

The Norwegian Government, following the American request to send assistance to Rear-Admiral Byrd, have been in communication with the masters of the only Norwegian whalers in the neighbourhood capable of forcing a passage through the ice, and have received replies to the effect that the somewhat hazardous venture is not likely to be necessary. The whalers anticipate that the ice will break up and release Rear-Admiral Byrd in February.

Apparently Byrd is not suffering from shortage of supplies as was stated earlier.

Meanwhile the manager of the Norwegian whaler, Kosmos, has requested Rear-Admiral Byrd to search the waters round Balleny Island for the Norwegian, Lier and Schreiner (the latter being the ship's doctor) who left the Kosmos in a Moth aeroplane on December 27 and have not been seen since.

Byrd has promised to do his utmost to assist in the search.]

CHINESE AND BOARD OF TRADE EXAMS

**HOUSE OF COMMONS & ACTION IN HONG KONG
CONDITIONS OF PASSING**

London, Yesterday.

In reply to a question in regard to the notice by the Government of Hong Kong that Chinese nationals would be permitted to sit for Board of Trade examinations as masters, first mates and chief engineers, under the same conditions as British subjects, Dr. Drummond Shiels pointed out that it was expressly stated that Chinese nationals would not receive a certificate of competency, but a letter signed by the chief examiner, certifying that the examination had been passed. The letter would not entitle the holders to the rights conferred by a certificate of competency.

He added that the action of the Colonial Authorities was taken with the approval of His Majesty's Government.—Reuter.

[It was notified in the Hong Kong Government Gazette on November 22 last that Chinese nationals will be permitted to sit at the Board of Trade examinations for Master, 1st Mate, and Chief Engineer under the same conditions as laid down for British subjects. Successful Chinese candidates will not, however, receive a certificate of competency which can be granted only to British subjects, but will receive in lieu thereof a letter signed by the Chief Examiner (the Harbour Master) certifying that the examination has been passed. This letter will not entitle the holder to the rights conferred by a certificate of competency.]

INDUSTRIES FAIR

Business Men to Examine Trade

Rugby, Yesterday.

The President of the Board of Trade has set up a committee of prominent business men to examine the present situation as regards the British Industries Fair, and to consider what means can be adopted to increase its utility to British trade.

The Chairman is Viscount Chelmsford. The Committee will investigate and report on the possibility of extending the scope of the fair by holding a second fair in the autumn, and by holding the fair on sections of it at various times, and organizing a travelling fair, either in ships or trains.—British Wireless Service.

THE CONFERENCE ADJOURNED

**QUESTION OF SUBMARINES POSTPONED
HOPE NOT LOST**

London, Yesterday.

A communique states that as the result of consultations the heads of the delegations to the Naval Conference have adjourned until February 26. Meanwhile, the Experts Committee established by the First Committee will complete its work. This is interpreted to mean that the committee will sit for a few days to complete the work in connection with special and exempt vessels, but the question of submarines has been postponed.

"Faith, Hope and Parity"

Italy in a Memorandum to the Naval Conference, reiterates her

NEW GOVERNOR

To Arrive in Colony On May 7

The China Mail is officially informed that a cablegram has been received by His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, the Hon. Mr. Wilfred T. Southern, C.M.G., from the Governor-Elect, Sir William Peel, stating that he expects to arrive in Hong Kong on Wednesday, May 7.

To the official statement it may be added, as a matter of interest, that it is not unlikely that Sir William will make a brief stop in Malaya, where the opportunity would naturally be taken to converse with Sir Cecil Clementi on questions of public interest affecting Hong Kong.

MODERATE TO FAIR

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states: The anticyclone has weakened and is now central over the Yellow Sea.

Light variable winds prevail along the S.E. Coast of China and a moderate monsoon over the China Sea.

Forecast:—N.E. or variable winds; moderate to fair. 2.59 inches.

Rainfall

Rainfall since January 1. 3.81 inches, against an average of 2.59 inches.

Temperature and Humidity

The temperature and humidity at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock were:

	Temp.	Humid.
Hong Kong	63	79
Macao	61	89
Pratas Island	71	86
Manila	68	83
Swatow	—	—
Chefoo	42	85
Shanghai	87	96

DOLLAR AT STAKE

A Trick or Petty Larceny?

Before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning, a Chinese was charged with obtaining \$1 from Chung Tak Wo, 5, Kowloon City Road, by false pretences.

The defendant went to complainant's shop and ordered 60 catties of vinegar. The master had it weighed and ordered a fink to have the consignment delivered to the defendant's supposed master's shop.

They did so, but before the transaction took place, the defendant asked for the loan of \$1, on the pretext that the whole sum would be paid over on delivery. He got the \$1, but on his way to this supposed shop, the defendant ran away with the dollar, and left the master and the fink with the vinegar in the street.

His Worship:—That is definitely not false pretences, and I think it is more larceny than a trick.

The case was remanded for 24 hours for the charge to be amended.

THE "UNITED EMPIRE PARTY" PLANS

**LORD BEAVERBROOK TO RAISE A "FIGHTING FUND"
NOTHING SUB TERRA**

London, Yesterday.

In a further announcement regarding the "United Empire Party," Lord Beaverbrook says that he intended firstly, to proceed with the organisation by local centres, and secondly, to raise a fighting fund of \$100,000 of which the trustees would be Mr. C. A. McCurdy, and Sir Cunliffe Owen, and for which appeals and subscriptions would be made. He emphasised that "everything we do in pursuit of our aim will be done in full daylight."

Reuter.

Opposition to the Scheme

The attitude of politicians and the Press towards the United Empire Party is beginning to take shape and it is generally doubted whether the crusade will spellbind the electorate sufficiently to change the whole face of party politics.

Party leaders themselves are silent, whilst Liberals and Labour are hostile and disdainful. Conservatives, from whom the crusaders anticipate the largest secession, damn the new party with faint praise, declaring that free trade within the Empire has long been the Conservatives' ideal, but it was ruled out by practical politics. "A fourth party" can only weaken the Conservatives in their fight against the common foe of free trade.

The Morning Post, in refusing to print the crusaders' advertisement, describes the tactics of Lord Beaverbrook and Lord Rothemann as "wrecking."

The formation of the new party is given prominence in Canada, but comment is neutral.—Reuter.

CHRISTIANITY AND THE SOVIET

**PREMIER'S SON ATTENDS CATHEDRAL IN MOSCOW
EVIDENCE WELCOMED**

Rugby, Yesterday.

Replying to questions in the House of Commons regarding the alleged persecution of Christians in Russia, Mr. Arthur Henderson stated that the Ambassador at Moscow was doing his best to inform himself of the facts and he was awaiting the Ambassador's report. The despatch on the subject already received from the Ambassador was only of a preliminary character, and he was not prepared to publish that.

It was obvious that the value of the diplomatic correspondence between the Government and His Majesty's representatives abroad would be seriously compromised if the impression were created that the despatches received from them must necessarily be published. The Government were anxious to ascertain the facts and would welcome specific evidence from any quarter concerning the allegations which had been made.

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, son of the Premier, intervening during questions, remarked that just a month ago, he had witnessed peacefully in the cathedral of the Redeemer in Moscow.—British Wireless Service.

MURDEROUS ATTACK ON MASTER

**CHINESE FOUND LYING IN POOL OF BLOOD
ROBBERY NOT THE MOTIVE**

Mr. Yuen Sam, of 104, Wellington Street, who is described as the master of the Cheung Hing firm, agents of the B.A.T., and of the Tai Chung Kwok restaurant, Sheklongtsai, West Point, was the victim of a murderous attack early this morning.

At about 12.15 a.m., he was walking alone in Hing Loong Street, which is to the west of the Central Market, when he was suddenly attacked from behind by an unknown assailant, who dealt him several blows on the head with an axe.

Left For Dead

Yuen fell and his assailant promptly escaped, leaving him for dead. A few minutes after the attack he was found lying unconscious in a pool of blood and the Police immediately removed him to the Government Civil Hospital.

His condition is not considered serious, but Yuen is weak from loss of blood. Unless complications set in there is no danger of death intervening.

The motive for this brutal attack on Yuen is a mystery. It is not believed that robbery was behind the cowardly action of Yuen's assailant, because no attempt was made to steal anything from him.

LOSS TO PORTUGUESE

Death of Mrs. Roza Sequeira da Cruz

The death occurred at her residence, 14, Knutsford Terrace, Kowloon, at 2 p.m. yesterday, of Mrs. Roza Sequeira da Cruz.

The lady, who was 51 years of age, was the wife of Mr. Felisberto R. da Cruz, and has many relatives in Hong Kong. Both her own and her husband's families have been well-known in the Colony since its early days, and they are much respected among the local Portuguese community, to which Mrs. da Cruz's death is a great loss. Much sympathy is felt for her husband and other relatives.

The funeral will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m. to-day.

EGYPT ACCEPTS THE CUSTOMS TARIFF

**ITEMS WHICH APPEAR TO CALL FOR RE-CONSIDERATION
PROVISIONAL ONLY**

Rugby, Yesterday.

Mr. Gillett, Secretary to the Overseas Trade Department, stated in the House of Commons that the Government had notified the Egyptian Government that they accepted the new customs tariff, but they had drawn the attention of the Egyptian Government to a few items in the tariff which appeared to call for reconsideration. The tariff was provisional in character and further suggestions would be made to the Egyptian Government if the experience of working showed such action to be desirable.—British Wireless Service.

TRAGIC EXPLOSION AT OIL WORKS

**PEOPLE KILLED, BLINDED AND WOUNDED AT NEW JERSEY
DUE TO GAS LEAK**

Elizabeth, N.J., Yesterday.

The death toll is now ten in the Standard Oil disaster. Nine others are not expected to live. It is feared that a score or more have been permanently blinded. It appears that the explosion was due to a leak in a gas-pipe.—Reuter's American Service.

CERTIFICATES OF HONOUR

**"IN RECOGNITION OF SERVICES"
MEDALLION INCLUDED**

In connection with the proposal to grant a local Certificate of Honour as a means of recognizing services rendered to this Colony, a *China Mail* man who called at the Colonial Secretariat was privileged to see a draft of the scroll that is to be granted, and a photograph of the reverse of the medallion which goes with it.

The medal, it is understood, will bear on the reverse an effigy of His Majesty King George, and the reverse carries the traditional badge of the Colony. It will be worn pendant round the neck, on a ribbon of red, white and blue.

The scroll will bear a portrait of His Majesty, and the signature and seal of H.E. the Governor and Commander-in-Chief. The wording states briefly that it is granted in recognition of services rendered to the Colony, which will be specified.

15 Years' Residence

The Rules of the Order, which await the sanction of the Secretary of State and His Majesty, stipulate that apart from services rendered, a residence of 15 years in the Colony must be proved. It is also laid down that the total number of holders of the Certificate shall not exceed ten at any one time.

It will be recalled that at a recent meeting of the Finance Committee, a sum of \$1,063 was appropriated in connection with the granting of these Certificates. It was then stated that the Order had been instituted in the Straits Settlements and the Federated Malay States, and had been very well received there.

ALLEGATION AGAINST CONSTABLE

Charged with causing an obstruction in Portland Street, a Chinese woman, alleged that the Kowloon Magistrate that a Shantung constable had asked her for 80 cents.

She further stated that last year she reported another constable for the same thing.

She knew this man had a share in the money.

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith: If this man has been in the custom of asking you for money, why did you not report it to the police?

The defendant was fined \$2 or four days in default.

THEFT FROM DETECTIVE

A remand of 24 hours was given at the Kowloon Magistrate's court this morning, in a case in which a Chinese boy was charged with the theft of a gold mounted fountain pen from the person of Detective P.C. Tsai Nam at 511, Street.

CHINESE COURTS IN SHANGHAI

**IGNORING THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
AN EMPHATIC PROTEST**

Shanghai, To-day.

Commenting on the agreement which sets up three Chinese courts in the International Settlement in substitution of the Provisional Court, the North China Daily News remarks that the agreement conveys the impression that it has been concluded on the foreign side by men who have no first-hand knowledge of the Provisional Court, and who took no advice from those who had. The Daily News asserts that Shanghai Municipal Council were never given the opportunity to consider the draft of the agreement, although the chairman, Mr. Arnold, and the Director General, Mr. Fessenden, were consulted, which, the Daily News points out emphatically, is not the same thing.

Paying a tribute to Dr. C. T. Wang's good faith and "deservedly high" reputation and to the President of the Judicial Yuan, Wang Chung-huei, the Daily News says that it is impossible to be blind to the fact that the Chinese Ministers with whom the agreements were made are not the men with whom the ultimate power rests. The Daily News asks what is the position of settlement if Nanking's enemies, or some wave of Communists, succeeded in overthrowing it and finally calls on the Municipal Council to be fully prepared on April 1 to utilise the "solitary safeguard" provided in article six, and speak plainly, act firmly and realise that they are the Government of Shanghai, with whom rests the supreme duty of keeping law and order in a settlement.—Reuter.

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THE TWENTY FIFTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Company, Limited, on MONDAY, the 10th March, 1930, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1929. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st March to 10th March, 1930, both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
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Hong Kong, 13th February, 1930.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

DRAFT PROGRAMMES and ENTRY FORMS for the FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SATURDAY, 8th March, 1930 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Race Course, Hong Kong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.
Entries CLOSE at 12 o'clock Noon on MONDAY, 3rd March, 1930.

Hong Kong, 19th February, 1930.

THE TENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION will be held in St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, at 8 p.m. on FRIDAY, February 23, 1930.

BUSINESS: Adoption of Report and Accounts for 1929; Election of Officers and Committee; Any other business.

All interested in Kowloon are invited to attend.

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TUESDAY, February 25, 1930,
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Hong Kong, February 19, 1930.

HONG KONG HEIGHTS

For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:—

Island	Feet
Victoria Peak	1822
Signal Station	1774
St. Paul's	1734
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Pyrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1598
Taipei Sanatorium	1000
St. David's	877
Bowen Road (Shed)	297
Ma Tau	297
Timpanian	2124
Devil's Peak	1972

NOTICES.

**HONG KONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at City Hall, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 22nd February, 1930, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1929.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 10th February, to Saturday, the 22nd February, 1930 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 3rd February, 1930.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1930.

22nd, 24th, 25th, 26th February
and 1st March, 1930.

ON SATURDAY, 22nd February the First Race will be run at 2 p.m. and on all other days at 12 o'clock Noon. On the First Day the First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and on the other four days at 11.30 a.m.

**MEMBERS' BADGES &
ENCLOSURE.**

Members' Badges may be obtained by those members who have not already received them on application to the Secretary.

Such Badges will also ensure admission to all Extra Race Meetings during 1930.

Members are notified that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10. per day or \$40 for the Meeting (ladies \$4. and \$16. respectively), are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for payment of all bills, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, badges (limited to two) for the free admission to the Members' Enclosure of wives, lady relatives and friends. Names must be stated when applying.

On no pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3. per day for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1 per day.

Bookmakers, Tie-Tac men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

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**FORTUNE OF SIR MORTIMER
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THE DOLLY SISTERS

The \$6,000,000 estate of the late Sir Mortimer Barnett Davis, formerly head of the Imperial Tobacco Co. of Canada, is involved in an action instituted in Montreal, Canada, by which his widow, Lady Davis, who lives at Cannes, and his son, Mr. Mortimer Davis, of New York, who married Miss Rosie Dolly (one of the Dolly Sisters), seek to depose from their executorship of Sir Mortimer's will Lord Shaughnessy and Mr. Alexander M. Reaper.

They allege that these two executors' administration has caused a great diminution in the value of the estate, of which Lady Davis is co-trustee. In conjunction with the action seizure was taken of shares valued at \$183,492 in the hands of the executors. Mr. Mortimer Davis was secretly married to Miss Rosie Dolly in March, 1927. Sir Mortimer's will, probate of which was granted in April, 1928, directed that:—

One-half of the residue of his property shall go upon trust for his son Mortimer for life, with remainder to follow the other one-half (left to Lady Davis), stipulating that his son Mortimer's interest is to be restricted to him personally and not passed to his wife or issue.

JUNKERS v. FORD

**Alleged Infringement of
Patent**

The criminal action commenced in Seville by the German Junkers Aeroplane Company against the manufacturers of the Ford tri-motor planes is not without its humorous side.

As far as could be ascertained, the action arose out of an alleged infringement by Ford of the Junkers Company's patent covering the employment of corrugated duralumin in the construction of all-metal aeroplanes.

The Ford apparatus arrived recently at the military aerodrome at Tablada, Seville. Its arrival had been expected by the Germans, who patiently watched the mechanics erecting the machine and mastered its most insignificant details. When the trial flight was being prepared the men in charge of the apparatus were surprised by the receipt of a writ charging the Ford people with infringement of a patent alleged to belong to the Junkers Company, of Dessau. An embargo of the offending plane was also demanded, but this could not be executed by the civil court, which had no jurisdiction on property owned by the military. An armed guard was, therefore, mounted over the apparatus. In the meantime both sides were bringing into play the weight of their forces.

At the last moment it was rumoured that the Junkers Company consented to withdraw the suit on payment of an indemnity by Ford and to release the machine on condition that it flew in future as a "Junkers" and not as a "Ford." This, however, the Detroit firm had refused to agree to. At least, that was the latest news from Seville, where partisan feeling in the interesting suit ran high.

The owners of Bardorey Sugar Beet Factory were fined £50 at Kesteven, Lincolnshire, for polluting the River Witham, it being stated that for 20 miles the river was depleted of fish.

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Picked up by passers-by, he was immediately rushed to the nearest hospital, where he died at one o'clock in the morning.

The doctors who are attending Senora de la Sota have succeeded in extracting the three bullets, but her condition remains extremely serious.

Senora de la Sota, who is 22 and strikingly handsome, is the niece of Dr. Perez, the Argentine Ambassador to Italy. She married Senor de la Sota in New York in 1928, but left him a year ago to live with her mother, Senora Guerra, and her uncle, Senor Perez, who has a house at Neuilly, a Paris suburb.

At her husband's request, she consented to return home some time ago, but soon abandoned the experiment and instituted proceedings for divorce.



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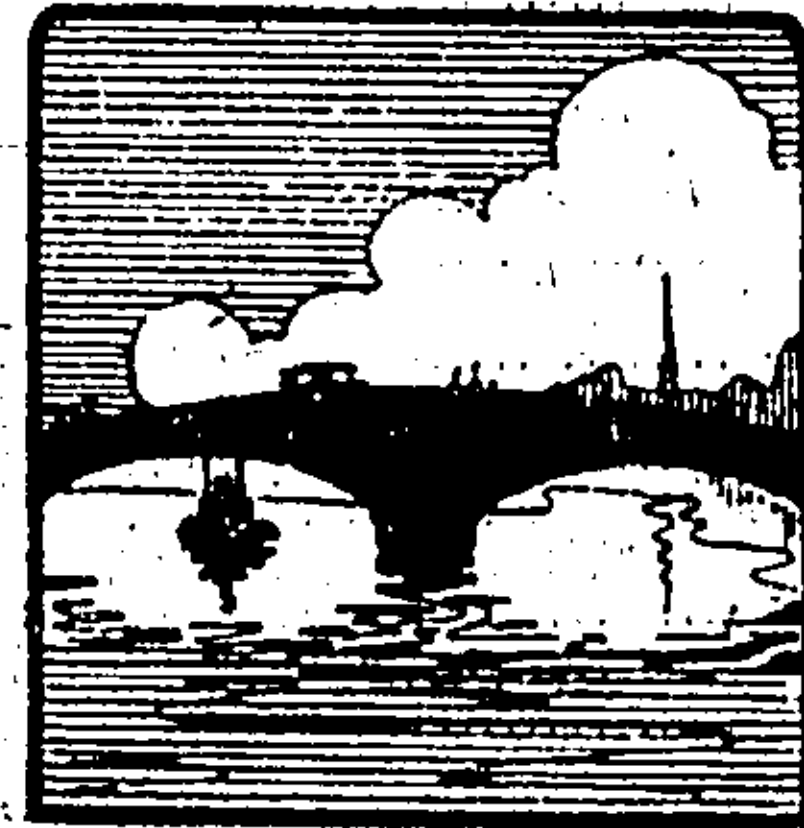
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EXTRACTS FROM THE DIARY OF ADMIRAL WALKER

BRITONS BURNED TO DEATH

Mr. P. C. Walker, of Lockington, East Yorkshire, writes to The Times:—Will you permit me to enclose the accompanying account of roughly written Regulations to combat "Piracy," as possibly of interest in connection with your leading and other article of December 12 on "Piracy in the China Seas." It is taken from the diary of my father, the late Admiral Charles F. Walker, written while he was in command of H.M. Gunboat Grasshopper in the China Seas in 1864:—

To prevent Piracy:—No guns, stink-pots, gongs or weapons of any offensive nature should be allowed in any junk. All junks or men taken by men-of-war and not condemnably by British law to be handed over to Chinese authorities to try. Any junk full of men (not passengers) and having no cargo and no observable employment should be handed over. Wherever a Piratical junk is taken, the Village where the junk is taken, to pay a heavy contribution or else give up crew. The place of which piracy takes place to be laid also under contribution, unless the Villagers can show that the junks were clearly from a different part of the coast. Also, whatever place the cargo of pirated vessels is sold, should return value of cargo and pay heavy sum of money. In cases where pirates take prisoners for ransom, and confine them in a village or house by itself, all houses where prisoners have been confined should be burnt down and gear burnt the Headman of Village and house be handed to Chinese authorities and the village pay; or else burn all their junks or whatever was the means of taking these prisoners. In a case like the Parana, (1) it would have been advisable to have got a Mandarin and gone to the place, landed a sufficient force to burn the piratical towns and capture prisoners—who should be handed over to Mandarins who always cut off the heads of any men from Goulou or St. John's. (2) In a mysterious affair like the Chico's (2) every town and village should have been searched for 15 miles round by the Military, whilst the gunboats inspected all nooks and inlets. Every junk should have been boarded in the harbour, searched, and asked for information, which they will generally give, but don't like to volunteer in asking information from Chinese. It is necessary to get one man by himself at a time, for they are afraid of it being known that they have said anything.

Signs of Piracy at a Distance

Signs of Piracy in Junks (at a distance).—Flags, pennons, streamers. Red battle flag at main, Division flag at fore. Mandarin flags and long whistpots to hoist them on. Drums—gongs, etc., of different sizes. Stink-pot baskets at Mast Head with arrangement for tripping up men there. Masts very taut and large, also sails large, well-out, etc., for sailing; as, in large junks they depend entirely upon their sailing qualities and have strong bobstays to their masts. Any grocer amount of smoke from their galley will denote a number of men aboard. On approaching nearer, it is easy to tell by the appearance of guns, breechings, and the way they are arranged, whether they are in the habit of being used, and also if her decks are clear for action, as few cargo junks have their decks clear of cargo. Any old nets spread over the sides look suspicious, and are always or generally put there when Britons are concerned. If there are 2 junks, as they seldom go alone, and one is much smaller than the other—dressed in fact for going up creeks with all their gear, when the big junk grounds and the gunboat unable to approach—these small junks pull many oars, and are very fast—it is dangerous work, going up the creeks after them, as they do not ground before the boats chasing them do. All valuables are put in the small junk, and it should always be chased first, and when proceeding up a creek all arms should be loaded; and on the boat grounding on bar, the crew should at once jump out and launch her over. Any amount of shields hanging over the stern and pikes nicely painted and kept in order, denote a warlike tendency.

Find the Magazine

On boarding a junk the first thing is to find the magazine; but if you see anything smoking suspiciously about the decks, let only one man enter, who is to see if there is any danger, and, if possible, draw the match out, or else jump back and above off in boat; but generally there is time, if they have only just deserted, to withdraw the fuse of the train. If men have not deserted the junk, which can be seen by the ship's glasses, the junk should be cleared out by shell from the big guns, and the boats should again fire into junk with their muskets before boarding. On boarding a junk one places will tell you whether she is a pirate or not, better than all courts of law. You will see arms of all descriptions laying about deck, with powder in bags, in boxes and tins, bullets, grape and case-sticks—all in a villainous state of appearance. No place for cargo, but all taken up with sleeping places, plenty of water—cool, etc., for a numerous crew—clothes in abundance, samaras, and cooking apparatus, all carefully with their number.

If through mistake, the gunboat being near, the junk's crew should not have deserted but rush on deck, yelling, before the boats come alongside, and immediately sheer off and take a position up across the junk's bow, and commence firing with small arms, but leaving sufficient distance between you for the gunboat to use her big gun. If you are alongside as they come up, take possession of fore part instantly if possible, otherwise it will go hard with you, from the numerous opposing and the stinkpots which they will throw in and burn you out of boat. If you get possession of fore part, the other boat coming up will change the day. In boarding junks steer so as to have your boats alongside each bow, with their heads same way as junks if possible. In attacking a junk, always take her end on if possible, so as to escape the fire of her guns, which at short distances can kill as well as any. The Chinese seldom fight unless they have every advantage on their side, or else are caught at sea. Make an example of her. Men should be warned never to fire until sure of hitting. If every man in the two boats was to hit his opponent in the junk, on boarding the junk would be taken instantly.

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THE LIABILITY TO FREE STATE INCOME TAX

JUDGMENT FOR CUNARD CO.

The Appeal Court decided in favour of the Cunard Company in their appeal from an order of the Revenue Commissioners assessing the company in £10,000 for each year 1924-5-6 to income tax in respect of passengers carried from the Free State on prepaid passage tickets. The question turned on the point whether in computing the profits of the company chargeable to income tax there should be included profits derived from carrying passengers whose passage money was prepaid in America.

Judge Sullivan, in delivering judgment, stated that many persons desirous of travelling to America had not the money to pay the passage. The company had established an arrangement for the sale in the United States of prepaid certificates, and a large proportion of the third-class passengers had the cost of their passages there paid by relatives in America. The procedure was that a person in America desirous of arranging for the passage of a person from the Free State paid the ocean fare to the company in America and got certain documents in exchange. In consideration of the money thus paid the company agreed to provide transport for the person mentioned for two years. The intention was that the documents should be sent to the intending passenger in the Free State, who would communicate with the Cunard Company or its agent, who would issue an ocean ticket.

The Special Commissioners on these facts concluded that there was liability by the company for profits tax, as in their opinion the company, on issuing the ocean ticket, entered into a profit-earning contract in the Free State with the passenger, and that that constituted the exercise of a contract in the Free State.

His Lordship held that the Commissioners were wrong in that view, and their decision was accordingly erroneous. The decision of the court in favour of the Cunard Company is of considerable importance not only to the Cunard Company, but to all other companies carrying emigrants from the Free State on prepaid passage tickets arranged for in New York or other American or Canadian ports.

JUMP INTO THE HARBOUR

Lam Choi (48), a native of San Wui, was yesterday removed by the Police to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from the effects of immolation. He was alleged to have attempted suicide by jumping into the harbour from the Yaumati ferry launch "Man Keung," and was rescued by the crew of a passenger sampan which happened to be in the vicinity. Lam's condition was not serious and he was not detained at the hospital. He has been referred to the Secretary for Chinese Affairs for investigation of his action.

WARSHIPS IN PORT

British warships in port this morning were:—In Basin of R.N. Dockyard: Tamara, Clelia, Bridgewater, Sandwich, Thracian. West Wall: Kent. In Dock: Scylla, Herald, Trochilus. Foreigners: "Le Port" (French), "U.S.B. gunboat" (U.S.), French Gunboat Argos.

ALLEGED PIRATES' AGENTS

KEEN CROSS-EXAMINATION OF WITNESS

"THE SHANGHAI MEN"

Yesterday afternoon Mr. A. W. G. H. Grantham resumed hearing of the case in which two Chinese are charged with having acted as pirate agents in negotiations for the ransom of a Chinese engineer named Hau who was captured after the piracy on the Japanese s.s. Dell Maru in September last.

Chau Man-king, one of two men who negotiated with the accused, was cross-examined by Mr. A. Covey, defending the first accused.

Witness said that he was not a pirate, and he had never thought of becoming one for the purpose of enriching himself. In his opinion the three men from Shanghai were not pirates, and he did not think that they sought to enrich themselves with pirates' money.

Large Sums Found
Detective Sub-Inspector Fallon then gave evidence with regard to the recovery of a large sum of money in the possession of the two accused. On January 14 witness visited the third floor of 222, Reclamation Street, Yaumati, in the company of first accused, and there searched a cubicle occupied by the accused's family. Witness found two wads of notes amounting to \$5,000 and \$1,000, respectively. They were hidden in the covers of two pillows, and were \$500 notes of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank.

During the search, second accused was brought in and witness ordered him to be taken to the Yaumati Police Station to be searched there.

Witness also told the Court that first accused was arrested at the railway station early that morning. He was handed over to witness by Wong Lau, the principal Chinese detective, who also gave witness a sum of \$1,482 in notes which Wong said that he had taken from first accused when searching him.

The case was adjourned until this afternoon.

MORTGAGED BOAT

Admiralty Court Gives Judgment

In the case of the steamship Newbigging, Mr. Justice Hill, in the Admiralty Court recently, entered judgment for the Commercial Bank of Scotland, Ltd., in default of appearance by the defendants, the Farnlands Steamship Co., Dundee. The plaintiffs claimed under a mortgage. The Newbigging was arrested by the Admiralty Marshal at Middlebro', at the instance of a firm having a claim for necessary repairs, and there was also a wages claim against the ship.

Mr. R. H. Balloch, for the bank, explained that the ship had been sold and the fund in court was \$6,500. The mortgage figure was proved by the bank manager. It was taken out to cover accounts current. The wages claim had precedence, but there would not be much for the necessary claimants and second mortgages.

His Lordship gave the bank judgment for the amount of the claim with interest as fixed by the banks of Scotland, and reserved all priorities.

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MALWA	10,930	12th Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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RAWALPINDI	10,519	5th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama & Osaka.
TAKADA	9,640	12th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama & Osaka.
*NAGORE	5,273	19th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama & Osaka.
MALWA	10,930	26th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama & Osaka.
TALMA	10,006	2nd Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama & Osaka.
RAJPUTANA	10,568	9th Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama & Osaka.
*BELTANA	—	16th Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama & Osaka.
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THREATENED WAR

Only in the Telegram
Stage?

PONDER BEFORE ACTING

Shanghai, Yesterday.
The threatened war in China
appears to be still in the telegram
stage.

Tan Yen-kai, Hu Han-min and
Wang Chung-hui, the presidents
of the Executive, Legislative and
Judicial Yuan, respectively, reply-
ing to telegrams from Yen Hsi-
shan dated February 16 and 17,
urge the Shansi General peace-
fully to co-operate in the unifica-
tion of the country, and enjoin on him
to "ponder carefully before act-
ing."

A Nanking message says the
State Council has received tele-
grams from the Chekiang, Kiangsu,
Kwangtung, Shantung, and
Hupai party headquarters urging
that Yen Hsi-shan be appropriate-
ly reprimanded for his suggestion
to Chiang Kai-shek that the lat-
ter retire.

It is officially announced that
traffic on the Tientsin-Pukow and
Peking-Hankow Railways is func-
tioning normally.—Reuter.

Further Messages.
Peking, Yesterday.
Yen Hsi-shan has again sent a
telegram to Chiang Kai-shek, in
which he states he has learned
with surprise that his telegrams to
Chiang have aroused the latter's
anger, which in turn has led him
to start organising a punitive ex-
pedition.

Yen goes on that his telegrams
only contained personal views,
which he put forward for Chiang's
consideration. If such views
anger the Generalissimo, no puni-
tive measures are necessary, as
he will obey to the letter any man-
date against himself which Chiang
issues.

North China appears quiet, with
no signs of war preparations in
this area, and it appears certain
that Shansi does not want to
fight, and war will not materialise,
unless Nanking, assumes the offen-
sive.

Yen's whole move has the ap-
pearance of being more against
Chiang personally than against
Nanking.—Reuter.

Chiang's Denunciation

Nanking, Yesterday.

Charging Yen Hsi-shan with
having already mobilised troops in
preparation for a campaign
against the Central Government,
Chiang Kai-shek has sent a tele-
gram to Yen Hsi-shan reproving
him for this, and requests him to
demobilise, and also release Feng
Yu-hsiang. He further charges
Yen's agents at Peking with cen-
soring telegrams from the Gov-
ernment's representative, and says
the anti-Government manifesto
issued by the Kuomintang before
the revolt last year emanated
from Taiyuanfu.

This telegram, which is strong-
ly worded, is generally regarded
as an ultimatum to Yen.—Reuter.

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SUMMER EXPEDITION

London, Yesterday.

The Alpine Sports Club last night
entertained Mr. F. S. Smythe, who
has been selected as the British
members of the international moun-
taineering expedition which is to
visit the Himalayas and attempt an
early summer ascent of Kanchen-
junga.

Replying to a toast proposed by
Mr. Amery, former Colonial Secre-
tary, who is an enthusiastic moun-
taineer, Mr. Smythe said the
leader of the expedition had been
planning it for twenty years, and
had been greatly assisted by his
wife. He hoped to get permission
to attack the mountain from the
Nepal side, and approach it from
the west.

Sir Martin Conway said they
could not expect that beyond twenty
thousand feet the members would
have a very pleasant time. Kan-
chenjunga had, to him, the appear-
ance of much greater difficulty than
Everest.—British Wireless Service.

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Religious Persecution
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gious denominations are supporting
the campaign of protest against
religious persecution in Russia, in-
augurated by Dr. Manning, the Pro-
testant Bishop of New York
diocese, announcing special prayers
of intercession in the Cathedral on
March 16.

Rev. Arthur Brown, president of
the Presbyterian Board of Foreign
Missions, has issued a circular ad-
vising non-recognition of Russia
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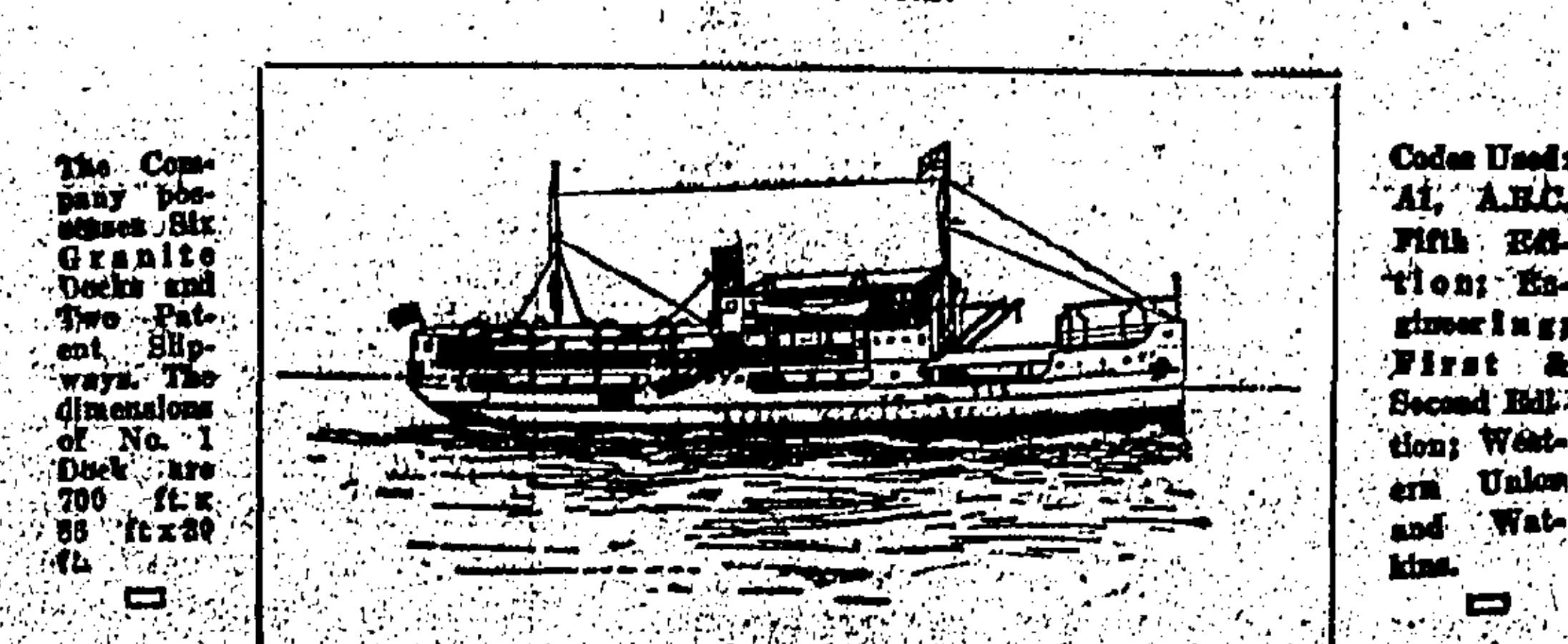
February 20 to 26, 1930.

Date	High Water	Low Water
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Fri. 21	High 9 15 Low 5 40	High 8 30 Low 4 15
Sat. 22	High 10 15 Low 6 40	High 9 30 Low 5 15
Sun. 23	High 11 15 Low 7 40	High 10 30 Low 6 15
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CHINA'S CULTURE

A committee of Censors met in Canton on Tuesday to discuss matters concerning the regulation of dramas and film plays to be staged in the theatres there. The regulations which were subsequently drafted by the censors are, in the main, reasonable and such as would be acceptable to any country of culture. They contain little that is prurish or narrow-minded, the chief aim of the examination of dramatic productions, resulting in the elimination of undesirable elements, apparently being to ensure that only plays and films of a reputable standard shall be exhibited to the public of Canton. It is perfectly reasonable, for example, to insist that before being shown to the public, new plays and films must be submitted to the Committee for inspection. Rather odd, however, is the provision that the petitioner for inspection should provide with the moving picture or play two copies of "explanations." Are we to take this to mean that the censors will be content merely with a superficial synopsis of the play; or that the author or producer must provide an intimate analysis of the motif and the theme underlying the behaviour of his characters? If that be so, we are led to the horrid thought that the Committee of Censors, whom we supposed to be an enlightened body of gentlemen ambitious to inspire the dramatists of Kwangtung with lofty ideals, may in fact be nothing more than a parcel of interfering Grundies, careless of culture and filled with a civilly honest but ignorant

zeal which would deny to Art the unrestricted flight of genius. At least, whenever such a proviso has crept into the Municipal Regulations of the censors in Provincial centres in Great Britain, it is to be noticed that similar tragedy has befallen both playwrights and authors. In America, we believe, the position is even worse; moral crucifixion for the expressed freedom of ideas is still a part of the New World's horror of the logos. But in Canton, that city of fair pagodas and seemingly unlimited literary productions, we trust that the flame of knowledge shall not be dimmed or sullied by unreasoning censors.

We earnestly beg of these gentlemen, if it should so be that they deem to notice our opinions; not ruthlessly to destroy the canons of Art by demanding that an author shall define the predominating idea of his theme. That would be merciless—to ask him 'what he meant.' By a levitous simile, it compares with the dull wit who asks us to "explain" a joke after its telling. It may be, perhaps, that Canton is seeking to follow the principles of Mr. Bernard Shaw, who must needs write a lengthy preface to every play. But Canton must not take our Mr. Shaw too seriously, and remember that in his prefaces he is cunning enough to bewilder us still more by the brilliancy of his fancy and the magnificence of that which, we believe, the French are wont to call the "idea." We do not for a moment, however, presume to misjudge the theatrical audiences of Canton by imagining that the theories of creative evolution or the dynamic struggle of sex as dramatic themes, would interest them in the least. Those of the Censors of Canton who are familiar with Shakespeare; or, to avoid a purely British bias (if Shakespeare can be said to belong to any one country) the plays of Euripides and Aeschylus, or the provocative works of Henrik Ibsen, cannot, surely, believe that these creators were ever commanded to give "explanations" of their plays? This is not to suggest that there is as yet any danger of Canton producing Shakespeares, Euripides, or Ibsens; but is there not that possibility, and does it not impose upon the Committee of Censors a most onerous task? Supposing a Chinese Ibsen or a Shaw were to write a play, do the censors imagine that the "explanation" that would be given by the authors would be anything but specious and tantalizing; do they not realise that the inner mean-

ings of such plays would be so wrapped in subtlety as to defeat even the investigation of the Committee? If such a condition were to arise, surely to condemn that which they did not understand would be the policy laid down.

The Regulations bear yet another clause the significance of which fills us with consternation. "The picture or plays having the following objectionable features are not allowed to be shown to the public." What are these 'objectionable features?' The first, which does not surprise us, is "contrary to the Kuomintang principles;" the second, "derogatory to the dignity of the country;" the third, "against humanity;" and the last, "tending to encourage superstition." Assuredly the Committee of Censors takes its pleasures sadly. The first prohibition is directed against the freedom of conscience of the author; the second precludes the intrusion of humour into his art; the third binds him to the fetters of flattery and sentimentality, and the last deprives him of the right to exercise his fancy. The whole aim of this regulation is, therefore, directed toward the suppression of truth and the confinement of the author to that which has been ordained. He must "create" either compliments or platitudes, must grossly imitate "the best examples" or pandering to a cheap public taste. If such hopeless regulations had ever encumbered the art of Greece, Rome or Britain, these would never have been Empires. "Where there is no vision the people perish," wrote a British poet, and that is a fundamental truism which history itself can qualify. The greatness of the fallen Celestial Empire was founded on the greatness of its philosophers, poets and its much-maligned playwrights, not upon its armies; for even the armies had to be encouraged by literary plaudits. Now, their encouragement is the glory of gain. The new China will never attain greatness and unity unless the peoples become great; and the peoples are measured by the strength, the wisdom, and the intellectual honesty of their thinkers.

News in Brief

His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has kindly consented to distribute the prizes at King's College on March 5.

A Chinese, who was caught in the act of cutting 275 catties of vegetable with a penknife from a vegetable garden in Kowloon City, was fined \$25 by Mr. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Admitting the theft of several suits the property of two vegetable gardeners at Ngau Tau Kok, a Chinese was at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning sentenced to three months' hard labour. It was stated that the defendant had served two months' jail just about a year ago for larceny.

A young Chinese, employed as an apprentice in a shoe-maker's shop at Shanghai Street, was at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning ordered to receive 12 strokes of the cane for stealing a blanket, the property of his master, while the latter was away. It was indicated that the defendant pawned the article for \$4.

A fine of \$60 with the alternative of one month's jail was imposed on a Chinese at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on his admission of a charge of unlawful possession of prepared opium. It was stated that the defendant had a complete drug "bunkie," and was evidently on board the s.s. Hung Keng for the purpose of selling.

Wong Hing, alias Wong Fook-hing, who died intestate at Chew Woo Village, Tai Shan District, Kwangtung, on June 12, 1929, left Hong Kong estate to the value of \$8,500. Letters of administration have been granted to the widow, Wong Yee-shue, temporarily residing at No. 122, Yervols Street. Deceased is survived by eight children.

NATIONALISM VERSUS IMPERIALISM**SUN YAT-SEN'S PRINCIPLES ANALYSED**

LECTURER SCEPTICAL

"The principles of Sun Yat-sen" was the subject of an interesting lecture delivered by the Rev. Father Jay, S.J., yesterday evening in the St. Patrick's Club before a large audience.

The lecturer said inter alia:—The world, Sun Yat-sen tells us, is suffering from a three-fold inequality: national inequality, or the domination of weaker states by the Great Powers; political inequality, or the rule of hereditary kings and aristocracies over the common people; and social inequality or the domination of the rich over the poor.

To remedy this state of things he proposes his Three Principles of the People (San Min Chu Yi): the Principle of Nationalism, the Principle of Democracy and the Principle of Livelihood.

The Antidote

Since Imperialism is the enemy, Nationalism is the antidote. Make the Chinese realise their danger and they will fight for their existence. Take the old clan system, restore clan unity in district, in province and, finally, in the whole country. This will give China four hundred strongly unified clan units. It will then be easy to bind these four hundred units into a strong nation. This done, China need only adopt the methods of Gandhi in order to defeat all attempts on her national life.

Turning to the Principle of Democracy Sun Yat-sen tells us that the citizens of China have no need to seek personal liberty. Her citizens have too much of it and too little government. Let her build up a strong government and thus look for the only form of liberty that she lacks, viz. national liberty.

As to equality, Sun Yat-sen rejects the theory that all men are born equal, and hence he says that true equality is equality of opportunity.

Room for Discussion

But his solutions of problems are not always so clear that there is not room for discussion and even dissent. Many will wonder, for example, whether the promotion of a strong clan consciousness will help national unity. History seems to show that national unity has always come with greatest difficulty, where it found strong clan units with which to contend. Many will be sceptical of his constitution of the four powers and five functions, and will wonder how a vast nation like China will be able to manipulate those modern democratic devices of the referendum, the initiative and the recall, which so far have been worked only in small areas and even there with difficulty and at enormous expense. Many more will wonder whether his proposal as to land values does not put a desperately dangerous weapon into the hands of the State, one, moreover, which will tend to dispossess the small owner, or else drive him to find land where increasing land values will not make an exorbitant demand, on his income, by the State.

CORRESPONDENCE**LEARNING CANTONESE**

[To the Editor of "China Mail."] Sir,—Mr. H. R. Wills, L.B.E., the author of the book called "Cantonese for Everybody," has consented to deliver a course of twelve lessons based on this book, if a sufficient number of people will signify their desire to avail themselves of this opportunity.

The class will be taught with Mr. Wills's book as a text book, the lessons being taken in their regular order, so that students will be able to make good progress within the period of the lectures.

A preliminary lecture will be given to-morrow at 7 p.m. and then the lessons will be given twice a week at 7 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Mr. Wills wishes to have letters from learners stating their difficulties, and will reply to these letters at his next following lessons. In this way a sound introduction can be obtained to the Cantonese language practically without expense.

Mr. Wills's book is on sale at the price of \$1 at Messrs. Kelly & Walsh and the Bible Depot.

Listeners who are interested are requested to please write to the Broadcasting Studio.

Yours, etc.

L. H. KING,
For the Broadcasting
Committee.
Hong Kong, February 19.

DUTY OF A COLONIAL CHURCH**VICTORIAN DIOCESAN HOLDS CONFERENCE**

LIFE IN HONG KONG

The Victorian Diocesan Conference was opened yesterday afternoon and will be continued to-day. In his presidential address, the Rt. Rev. Dr. C. R. Duppuy, Bishop of Victoria, emphasised the duty of a Colonial Church in order to adjust itself to the setting in which its life was cast.

Life in Hong Kong, he said, was in some ways both larger and smaller than life in Great Britain. Speaking on the functions of a Colonial Church, he said that they must maintain vital touch with the Mother Church which meant that they must learn from her past history, to profit by her wide experience and to keep abreast of current movements in her life and thought.

Library Wanted

He would like to see a good library housed in the Cathedral Hall.

After touching upon the Lambeth Conference, administrative reforms, and the Task of Adjustment, his Lordship then spoke about life in Hong Kong. A life lived narrowly in Hong Kong, he said, would become a very small one, indeed; but living in Hong Kong offered the opportunity of living a very full life. The general intellect level, in his opinion, was almost certainly higher than that in most places of the same size in the United Kingdom.

The Discussion

Lieut.-Col. F. J. Wyatt, O.B.E., dealt with the ordinary man's conception of Christ and how the Church's presentation of Christ struck the ordinary man.

Mr. Ashton Hill dealt with the problem as to how far the Church should adapt itself to new needs and new demands, and also how far it had to alter her methods to suit modern life and modern thought.

Mr. Harry Owen Hughes spoke of the possible attitude Christ would have adopted in regard to sport.

ENGLISH SINGERS**One More Concert to Be Given**

The "China Mail" is informed that the English Singers, whose recent concerts in Hong Kong were so great a success, have been persuaded to make arrangements to delay their departure from the Colony and to give one more concert at the City Hall on Friday, February 28, at 9.15 p.m.

The programme will be entirely new and will include, by special request, "The Street Cries of London."

The concert will be under the patronage of the Officer Administering the Government and Mrs. Southorn, who have graciously signified their intention of being present.

DANGEROUS GOODS

The master of the s.s. Tak Hing, Capt. Leung Yau, was charged at the Marine Court this morning with being alongside the Sai Kong wharf with 1,055 cases of fire-crackers on board his ship, instead of being at the Dangerous Goods Anchorage; and also with failing to hoist a "Red" flag to show he had dangerous cargo on board. The defendant was fined \$20 on each count.

CHEATED OF THEIR FARES

The Chinese drivers of public motor cars have reported to the Police that at 1 o'clock this morning they drove up to the Peak a party of eight men of the King's Own Scottish Borderers. The passengers entered the cars at Chater Road and left them outside the upper Peak tram station. They all ran away without paying their car fare.

Ten Years Ago

[From the "China Mail," February 20, 1920.]

To-day's dollar is worth 5/10½d. Football in Fancy Dress.—It was a pity that such miserable weather prevailed yesterday when another effort was made to collect funds on behalf of the widow of Warder Speed, who was murdered by convicts in the Victoria Gaol. The idea of a football match in fancy costume was a happy one, and in ordinary circumstances the game would have attracted a large crowd, but yesterday, only a small band of the most enthusiastic persons ventured out. The Kowloon "Blancos" won by four goals to two, and a good many goals were scored by each side, that were not allowed by the referee. (The first goal was scored by the "Hong Kong Hoppers".)

NATIONALIST ARMY ON THE MOVE

TROOPS TO CONCENTRATE ON HSUCHOW
SHIPS COMMANDEERED

Shanghai, Yesterday.
With the object of safe-guarding the Tsin-Pu Line, President Chiang has ordered the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Divisions to concentrate along Hsuehchow and Siksan and the 7th and 14th Divisions at Pukow.

A regiment of the 5th Division departed from Ningbo on February 17 for Peking; another regiment of the same division will shortly leave for Hsuehchow.

The 49th regiment under General Chiang Ting-wen is garrisoning Wu-chang; two regiments under General Hsia Tao-yen are guarding Hanyang.

At present there are seven to eight divisions of Central forces patrolling the Tsin-Pu Line, and four divisions the Ping-Han Line.

Excepting the express train service, traffic on the Tsin-Pu Line was closed on February 17, due to the transportation of troops.

The order to the troops of the 5th Route Army to move from Honan to Hsuehchow has been countermanded and the troops now remain in the Honan territory.

Eleven more merchant vessels have been chartered in Shanghai to proceed to Nanking to await instructions.

Hsuehchow, Yesterday.
The main body of Shih Yu-san's forces are moving westwards in order to concentrate along Yen Chi Kiang.

His General Headquarters are still established at Kweichow, midway of the Lung-Hai Line.

The armoured car "Yun Kwei" arrived at Hsuehchow on February 16 and left on the following day to patrol the Lung-Hai Line.

The armoured car "Tung Yat" has also been despatched to patrol the western section of the Lung-Hai Line.

Two more fighting planes, which flew from Nanking to Hsuehchow on February 17, were despatched on arrival under the command of Colonel Shih Chung-fen to reconnoitre westwards of the Lung-Hai Line, returning on the same day.

Yen's Cable Deplored
At the Weekly Memorial Service held on the 17th, Mr. Wu Chi-hui, a senior member of the Central Executive Committee, dwelt upon the grave blunders of Yen Hsi-san's telegraphic message to President Chiang.

Mr. Wu declared that as the military activities were on the point of cessation and peace about to be restored internally, unexpectedly Yen Hsi-san suddenly issued such a cable.

But Yen is known to be a man of solidity and his action could only have been taken under the malicious advice and influence of the reactionaries.

A telegram received from Mr. Chao Tai-wen, President of the Central Yunnan, now in Taiyuan, states that there is a chance of preserving the status quo.

Mr. Wu earnestly hoped that Yen Hsi-san would be awakened to the realization of his errors.

AIR TRAFFIC

Batavia, Yesterday.
In his opening address at the meeting of the Advisory Council of the Eastern Bureau of the League of Nations for Epidemiological Intelligence, at Bandung, Major Graham drew attention to the importance of wireless broadcasts of intelligence regarding epidemics; and the question of the effect of extension of air traffic on the diffusion of diseases, like cholera and yellow fever.

He said the part played by the quarantine stations required renewed consideration, in view of the speeding up and alterations of conditions.—Reuter.

NEW ZEALAND ACES

Krachi, Yesterday.
The New Zealand airmen Piper and Kay have made a forced landing five miles from Jask aerodrome.—Reuter.

Piper and Kay set out on February 9 from England, in an attempt to beat Hinkler's record for a flight to Australia.

King's Cup

London, Yesterday.
The Royal Aero Club announces that the race for the King's Cup on Saturday, June 5, will be confined to one day only, and the course will be approximately 750 miles—British Wireless Service.

LONDON OPINION

London, Yesterday.
The stoppage of rubber production in May is unlikely to improve prices, according to opinions in Mining Lane, where it is pointed out that the stoppage will merely cut out 25,000 tons from the estimated year's yield of 850,000 tons.—Reuter.

PLAYS IN CANTON TO BE CENSORED

DRAMAS AND FILMS SUBJECT TO INSPECTION
WILL ART SUFFER?

Canton, Yesterday.
A Committee of Censors was held on February 18 to discuss matters concerning the regulations of dramas and plays to be staged in the local theatres.

Below are enumerated the draft regulations which were brought up for discussion at the meeting:—

1. That the present regulations are fundamentally to govern the exhibition of film pictures and public plays.

2. That before showing to the public new films and plays should be submitted to the Committee for inspection.

3. That the petitioner for inspection should provide with the moving picture or play two copies of explanations and the name of the writers of the picture or play and the place where the picture or play is to be shown, and the date of its exhibition.

4. That if it is deemed necessary to stage the picture or play before the Committee, the committee may give order to that effect.

"Objectionable" Features
5. That pictures or plays having the following objectionable features are not allowed to be shown to the public as: contrary to the Kuomintang principles; derogatory to the dignity of the country; against humanity; offensive to morality; or detrimental to public safety; tending to encourage superstition. In such cases, the Committee has the right to order the elimination of the objectionable parts.

6. Pictures or plays passed by the Committee shall bear the chop of the same stamped on the original copy of explanation, which is to be handed back to the petitioner, while the duplicate, also stamped, to be kept for future reference by the Committee.

7. Whenever changes are to be made to the headings or contents of a picture or play, the procedure shall be according to rule No. 3.

8. Whenever picture or plays already passed upon are found to have offended rule No. 5, they shall be prohibited accordingly, and the copies to be submitted for destruction.

9. During interpretation of pictures or plays, interpreters should in no way offend Rule No. 5.

10. If necessary, the Committee may enter any theatre to observe a picture or play on exhibition.

Heavy Penalties
11. Theatrical managers not complying with Rule No. 2, or disobeying the order to amend the plays, shall be liable to a fine of \$100 down, or 20 days' imprisonment by the Bureau of Public Safety.

12. Those breaking the first part of Rule No. 7, or the second part of Rule No. 8, or Rule No. 10, shall be liable to a fine not exceeding \$50 by the Bureau of Public Safety.

13. Those acting contrary to Rule No. 9, shall receive a caution or a penalty according to police regulations.

14. Theatres offending for the second time shall be liable to suspension of business.

15. Any part of the regulations shall be altered or amended by the Committee in co-operation with the Bureau of Public Safety, Education, and Social Reforms.—Canton News Agency.

"AND SO TO BED"
The China Mail is informed by the acting Honorary Secretary of the Hong Kong Amateur Dramatic Club that the eagerly awaited production of James Bernard Fagan's "And So To Bed" will be staged at the Theatre Royal on March 22 and following nights.

The cast will be headed by Mr. W. A. Hannibal and Mrs. Grossman who will play the parts of "Samuel Peppys" and "My wife, poor wretch" created in the original London production by Edmund Gwenn and Yvonne Arnaud.

For the important role of Mrs. Knight, the Club have been fortunate in enlisting the services of Mrs. Howard Johnston, a lady of considerable dramatic experience.

An excellent supporting cast has been secured.

BYRD'S EXPEDITION

New York, Yesterday.
The a.s. City of New York has wireless that she is in sight of the Bay of Whales, where Comdr. Byrd and his forty-two companions are camped on an ice belt.

The ship expects to take them off this afternoon.—Reuter's American Service.

REV. F. C. YOUNG

On enquiry at the Matilda Hospital at 3 p.m. to-day the *China Mail* was informed that the condition of the Rev. F. C. Young is unchanged.

ROUND THE CINEMAS

Judge Predicts Radio in Court Room
"THE BELLAMY TRIAL"

Radio broadcasting of murder trials will be the next innovation in Court news dissemination, according to Superior Judge Georgia Bullock, of California who visited the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studio to give Monte Bell some advice on Court procedure for the filming on "The Bellamy Trial," now playing at the Queen's Theatre.

Judge Bullock, noting Bell's radio equipment in the cinema Court room, declared that the microphone was not at all out of place and probably would become a part of Court room equipment in the near future.

Leatrice Joy plays the leading role in the murder mystery film. The cast includes George Barrard, Kenneth Thompson, Margaret Livingston, and Betty Bronson.

In the big murder trial scene of the new mystery drama, occupying front seats in the Press division, authors of famous novels mingled with noted journalists, all enjoying their first experience as actors and actresses.

Among the volunteer literary lights were Adela Rogers St. John, author of "The Sky Rocket," "A Free Soul," "The Single Standard" and other works, William Dudley Pelley, author of "Drag," "The Blue Lamp," and other novels, John Colton, playwright of "Rain" and "The Shanghai Gesture" fame, Lewis Browne, who wrote the sensational "This Believing World," and Samuel Armit, author of "Jail" and other works.

"WINGS" AT THE MAJESTIC
All those who are interested in high courage, the bravery of unselfish and unheeding youth, the splendour of youthful sacrifice and beauty of human comradeship should go to see "Wings" at the Majestic Theatre, Kowloon, this week.

It is a film setting forth the work of the young knights of the clouds in the war. But it is far more than a film. It is an epic of fearless young manhood, a paean of tribute to the airmen "whose wings are folded for ever"—as a beautiful phrase of dedication says,—"and it is also an amazing example of what can be achieved in the air. How this picture ever came to be made passes one's understanding. It is no combination of trickery and models, but a realistic visualisation of real people riding the clouds and triumphing over the dawn."

The story is one of genuine drama, rich with the finest qualities that lie at the basis of the friendships of youth, and touched with infinite beauty of romance, which runs through it like a silver thread in a purple pall. For it is also essentially a picture of war, of sacrifice, of stern conflict, of the ultimate test of human endurance and human conquest over fear.

Those who have no knowledge of aviation—and they constitute the very great majority of theatre-goers—will marvel at the astounding scenes and sights presented on the screen—scenes which are amplified by mechanical methods until at times it almost seems as if you were part and parcel of the vivid drama you are beholding.

Dramatic effects are produced by the addition of a good orchestra, which rendered the exact music as composed for "Wings" by the well-known American composer, J. S. Zamecnik.

"Wings" is being shown for a limited engagement and patrons are advised to book their seats in advance to avoid disappointment.

RED LEADER SHOT
Raid by Gangsters in Shanghai

Shanghai, Yesterday.
Seven gangsters made a raid on a house, 314 Route Cardinal Mercier in the French Concession, yesterday evening, shooting four of the inmates dead and wounding two others.

The dead include the Communist leader Wang Loh-ping, a native of Shantung and an ex-member of the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee, and Pan Teh-chien, a graduate of the Whamoa Academy.—Reuter.

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(b) La Romanesca (Weckerlin).
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SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL

Social Functions
To-day—Tea Dance at Hong Kong Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
To-day—Tea Dance at Peninsula Hotel, 5 p.m.

To-day—Dinner Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.
To-day—Dinner Dance at Ropulse Bay Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

March 8—Old Bedfordian Dinner, Hong Kong Club 8 p.m.
Entertainments
To-day—Queen's Theatre, "Bellamy Trial."

To-day—Star Theatre, "Where East is East."
To-day—World Theatre, "Wild Orchids" at 5.15 and 9.20 p.m., "Westward Ho" (Chinese picture) at 2.30 and 7.15 p.m.

To-day—Majestic Theatre, "Wings."
To-day—Helena May Institute Concert, 5.30 p.m.

February 28—English Singers' concert at City Hall, 9.15 p.m.
Lammermoor Auction
To-morrow—At 4, Aimal Villas, Austin Avenue, Kowloon, household furniture, 11 a.m.

Sports
To-day—Fanning Hunt and Race Club Drag Hounds Meet, Kwanti Race Course, 4.30 p.m.

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Home Mail
To-morrow—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Kitano Maru); Europe via Negapatam (Col di Lana).

Meetings
To-day—Ex-Active Service Men's Association extraordinary meeting, 5.30 p.m.
To-day—Hong Kong Football League Committee Meeting, 5.30 p.m.

To-day—European Y. M. C. A. Meeting, 6 p.m.
To-morrow—Hong Kong Football Association Council Meeting, 5.30 p.m.

To-morrow—Kowloon Bowling Green Club Meeting, 5.45 p.m.
February 27—Eleventh ordinary meeting of shareholders of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., 10, Des Voeux Rd., Ctl., 4.30 p.m.

February 28—Kowloon Residents Association St. Andrew's Church Hall, 6 p.m.
Miscellaneous
To-day—University Lecture by Mr. L. Forster on "Post Graduate Work in England," 8.30 p.m.

March 5—Distribution of prizes by H.E. the Officer Administering the Government at King's College.
March 6—Annual Show of Flowers and Vegetables, City Hall.



The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on 355 metres:—
5.00-5.30 p.m.—European Programme of H.M.V. Records by Courtesy of Messrs. Moutrie and Company.

"Chal Romano Overture" (Kotelberg).
The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.
"Nightingales And Beatrice Harrison playing 'Songs My Mother Taught Me'."

"A Summer Night Idyll" by Nightingales & Church Bells.
"Excuse Me, Lady-Fox-Trot" (Nichols).
"Am I Blue?"—Fox Trot, (Akst), Jack Hylton and His Orchestra.

"(a) Song Without Words—Op. 102, No. 3."
"(b) Spring Song."
"(c) Song Without Words—Op. 10, No. 5."
"(d) Bess Weddings, Mark Hambourg, 'My Love Dwell In A Northern Land' (Elgar).
"Just a Little Ring" (Schubert, arr. Berts and Glusam).
Baraldi Trio.

5.30 p.m.—Mrs. R. Sanger's Concert Relayed from Helena May Institute:
1.—Trio: Piano, Viola, Violon.
(a) Andante (Beethoven).
(b) Viennese Popular Song (Kreisl).
(c) Miss Carry Bragg.
(d) Miss John Bragg.

2.—French Bergettes.
(a) Cantabile a Madame de Pompadour (Weckerlin).
(b) Silvestrik Chanson de Bergettes. Mrs. A. Reinshagen.
(c) Le beau sejour (Weckerlin).
(d) French Songs.
(e) Romance d'Amour (Mazuet).
(f) Printemps nouveau (Vidal).
(g) Printemps nouveau (Vidal).
(h) Printemps nouveau (Vidal).

3.—Italian Songs.
(a) Matinata (Leoncavallo).
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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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TRAFFIC REGULATIONS DURING THE RACES.

I.—All Vehicles going to the Races at Wong-Nel-Chong will proceed via Arsenal Street, Lockhart Road, Percival Street, Leighton Hill Road and round the Happy Valley via Wong-Nel-Chong Road to the entrance gates.

Vehicles will return to town via Morrison Gap Road and Queen's Road East. These arrangements will be in force between 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m.

II.—Passengers will alight from and board Trams and Buses at:—(1) the main Public entrance and (2) the members entrance gate only.

III.—Trucks and persons carrying large burdens will not be permitted West of Percival Street or East of Murray Road between the hours of 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.

IV.—Pedestrians must walk on the footpaths, and not on the Roadway.

V.—Vehicles must proceed at a slow speed in the vicinity of the Race Course.

VI.—Vehicles will be parked in the vicinity of the Race Course as directed by the Police on duty.

VII.—Dogs are not allowed on or near the Race Course. Any dog found straying is liable to be destroyed (Ordinance 1 of 1845, section 16 sub-section 3).

NOTE.—There will be one way traffic only in Queen's Road East from the Monument to Arsenal Street from 11 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. The one way traffic will run from East to West. There will also be one way traffic in Lockhart Road. The one way traffic will run from West to East. Kennedy Road will be open to West bound traffic only from 11 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. Vehicles proceeding up Stubbs Road will proceed via Arsenal Street, Johnstone Road (Old Praya East), Wanchai Road, Morrison Hill Road and Morrison Gap Road.

PARKING OF CARS AT THE RACE COURSE.

1. The stand at the Public entrance is reserved for Officials of the Jockey Club, and P.D. owners.

2. Yeung Wo Nursing Home, the open space in front of, reserved for owner drivers.

3. Civil Service Cricket Club, the open space in front of, reserved for members of the Jockey Club.

4. Village Road reserved for private cars.

5. Ventris Road for Public cars only.

E. D. C. WOLFE,
Inspector General of Police.
Hong Kong, 19th February, 1930.

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on Wednesday, 12th March, 1930, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1929, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The REGISTER of MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from 28th February, 1930 to 12th March, 1930, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.
Hong Kong, 19th Feb., 1930.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the 41ST ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 19th day of March, 1930, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1929.

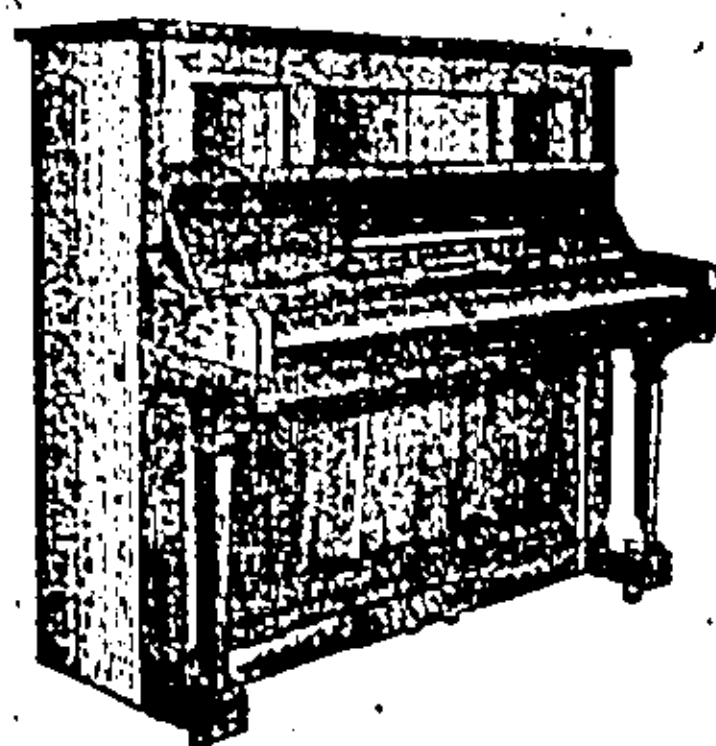
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 8th March, 1930 to WEDNESDAY, 19th March, 1930, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
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Sport Columns

HOME FOOTBALL

English and Scottish Cup Ties

SERIES OF LEAGUE GAMES

London, Yesterday.
After only drawing in the fifth round of the English Cup on Saturday, Sunderland met their Waterloo when they visited Nottingham to-day, the result being:
Notts Forest 3 Sunderland 1

SCOTTISH CUP

Three ties were replayed in the third round of the Scottish Cup, in two of which the contestants could not be separated even after extra time. Montrose, however, accounted for Albion Rovers.

The results were—
Airdrieonians 0 Dundee 0
Leith Athletic 1 Falkirk 1
Montrose 3 Albion Rovers 1
* After extra time.

The draw for the fourth round, to be played on Saturday, March 1, has resulted:

Dundee or Airdrieonians v. Hearts.
Partick Thistle v. Falkirk or Leith Athletic.
Rangers v. Montrose.
St. Mirren v. Hamilton Academicals.

LEAGUE MATCHES

The following League games were played to-day:

ENGLISH LEAGUE

Division I.	
Derby C.	4 Arsenal 1
Division II.	
Bradford C.	3 Swansea 3
Division III.—South	
Exeter	1 Watford 0
Southend	1 Walsall 0
Division III.—North	
Darlington	1 Stockport 2
Lincoln	3 Wrexham 0
Scottish League	
Dundee U.	0 Rangers 1
Partick T.	2 Aberdeen 1
St. Johnstone	0 Hearts 3

—Reuter.

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE

English League—Division I.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Wednesday	27	10	4	4	72	31	40
Derby	27	10	4	4	60	34	38
Manchester C.	28	14	6	8	64	34	34
Leeds	28	15	2	11	57	41	32
Blackburn	29	13	5	11	74	37	31
Huddersfield	29	13	5	11	48	39	31
Aston Villa	29	13	4	11	56	34	30
Leicester	29	12	6	11	59	30	28
Liverpool	29	12	6	11	47	30	28
Middlesbrough	29	13	3	12	63	29	28
Bolton	30	11	7	12	54	40	28
Portsmouth	29	10	8	10	50	43	28
Sheffield U.	29	12	4	13	51	39	28
Burnley	30	10	8	12	59	28	28
Manchester U.	29	12	4	13	45	36	26
West Ham	29	10	5	14	50	26	25
Arsenal	29	10	5	14	45	25	25
Birmingham	29	9	7	14	44	25	25
Sunderland	27	8	7	12	43	23	23
Swinton	29	9	13	4	49	23	23
Grimsby	29	8	5	15	48	20	21
Newcastle	27	9	2	19	50	74	20

Division II.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Oldham	29	13	8	5	55	34	40
Blackpool	29	13	8	5	50	38	38
Chelsea	29	13	10	5	60	27	38
Bradford	29	13	7	8	57	30	38
Bury	29	14	4	11	58	50	32
Wolves	29	12	7	10	54	52	31
Southampton	29	12	5	12	51	52	29
Cardiff	29	12	5	12	41	40	29
West Brom.	27	12	4	11	72	55	28
Charlton	27	9	10	8	40	38	28
Stoke	30	10	8	12	54	54	28
Notts City	29	7	13	9	41	42	27
Hull	27	11	5	11	41	49	27
Tottenham	29	9	9	11	41	45	27
Notts For.	29	8	11	9	38	42	27
Preston N.E.	29	9	12	4	43	54	26
Bradford C.	28	8	9	11	43	51	25
Millwall	28	8	12	10	42	57	24
Reading	30	7	10	13	38	49	24
Barnsley	29	8	7	14	38	51	23
Swansea	30	7	8	15	29	51	22
Bristol C.	27	8	6	13	45	61	22

Division III.—South

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Brentford	28	10	3	6	67	29	41
Plymouth	25	16	7	2	60	21	39
Brighton	25	16	4	5	62	31	38
Northampton	26	16	3	7	45	28	35
Fulham	28	13	7	8	58	54	33
Southend	28	11	11	6	44	38	33
Bournemouth	26	11	6	5	45	28	31
Norwich	28	12	7	9	56	53	31
Crystal Pal.	29	11	8	10	58	58	30
Coventry	26	13	3	10	57	44	29
Exeter	29	10	7	12	52	48	27
Queen's P.R.	26	8	9	9	38	44	26
Luton	27	9	6	11	40	51	25
Walsall	28	9	6	13	48	50	24
Clapton O.	27	7	10	10	26	37	24
Swindon	28	7	9	12	45	51	23
Newport	26	8	5	13	46	52	21
Watford	29	8	5	16	36	54	21
Torquay	28	7	7	15	39	65	10
Gillingham	29	7	5	17	32	59	10
Bristol R.	25	6	5	14	48	59	17
Merthyr	26	2	8	16	33	79	12

Division III. (North)

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Port Vale	28	21	4	3	71	24	46
Stockport	27	17	6	4	69	32	40
Accrington	27	14	5	8	72	47	33
Darlington	30	14	4	12	77	58	32
Chesterfield	27	13	4	10	49	41	30
Carlisle	28	12	6	10	71	72	30
Crawley	29	12	5	10	57	45	29
Scunthorpe	29	9	11	9	55	48	29
Hartlepool	27	10	9	8	51	43	29
York	27	8	13	6	41	37	29
Lincoln	28	8	13	7	44	38	29
Sth. Shields	29	11	7	11	48	55	29
Nelson	29	11	6	12	41	50	28
Tranmere	29	10	7	11	58	55	27
Rochdale	27	11	5	11	58	62	27
Wigan	29	9	6	14	45	60	24
N. Brighton	29	10	4	15	44	63	24
Doncaster	26	9	4	13	37	48	22
Wrexham	28	7	7	14	40	57	21
Motherwell	27	16	3	8	61	41	35
St. Mirren	29	16	2	11	60	34	34
Partick	28	14	5	9	62	44	33
Celtic	27	14	4	9	61	37	32
Kilmarnock	28	12	8	8	54	49	32
Hearts	28	11	9	8	56	49	31
Queen's Pk.	30	13	4	13	55	51	30
Ayr	28	12	4	12	49	54	28
Hamilton	27	10	5	12	55	57	25
Falkirk	26	9	7	10	45	52	25
Cowdenbeath	26	8	7	11	39	42	23
Dundee	28	9	5	14	32	44	23
Aldrie	27	10	2	15	39	46	22
Clyde	29	7	8	13	45	52	21
Morton	29	8	6	15	54	73	22
Hibernians	27	6	8	13	29	44	20
Dundee U.	28	6	4	18	39	76	16
St. Johnstone	29	4	7	18	29	60	15

LOCAL FOOTBALL

Nasty Jolt for the Borderers

SOME HEAVY SCORING

Results of football matches played locally yesterday were as follows:—

H.K.F.A. Junior Shield, 2nd Round

Somersets 2 South China 0

Hong Kong League, Division I.

K.O.S.B. 3 H.K.F.C. 3

Division II.

K.O.S.B. 10 Ewo 4

Athletic "A" 9 Athletic "B" 4

The Senior Shield replay between the Somersets and Athletic, scheduled for Kowloon, did not take place, the Athletic failing to field a team.

Somersets v. South China

In the second round of the Junior Shield Competition, the Somersets yesterday beat South China by 2 goals to nil. The game was played at Carline Hill.

Denmead opened the score for the soldiers fairly early in the game, bursting through between the backs to give Wong Ki-leung no chance with a sharp shot. After a few attacks by South China the Somersets set up a steady pressure, and after a South China defender had handled in the area following a corner kick, Palmer scored from the penalty.

Somersets were content to defend in the second half, and played into touch when South China looked dangerous. The end came with them still two goals in front.

LEAGUE DIVISION I.

K.O.S.B. and Club Draw

These two teams met on the Club ground, a fast game ending in a draw of three goals each. The soldiers scored first through Stock, but Bell made the scores level. The Club went ahead through McBride almost immediately afterward.

K.O.S.B. attacked strongly in the second half, and Alexander made the score two all after 15 minutes' play.

Reeves put the K.O.S.B. ahead from a penalty for a foul on Everest. The Club drew level again in the last minute, Bell getting through to score. The game had a vital bearing on the K.O.S.B. chances for the League championship, and the result may seriously affect their prospects.

DIVISION II.

Ewo Outclassed by the K.O.S.B.

Ewo were completely outclassed against the K.O.S.B. yesterday. Stevens (3) and Milligan putting on goals in the first half. The military team added six more in the second half, running out winners by ten goals to nil.

Athletic "A" v. Athletic "B"

This was another high-scoring game, the "A" team winning by nine goals to four. They led at the interval by 4 to 2, and although the "B" team reduced the lead to one goal, they soon fell behind again, and were well on top before the end.

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE

Division I.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
K.O.S.B.	10	12	6	2	45	20	29
Royal Navy	9	5	2	2	34	19	23
Athletic	14	10	2	2	32	11	22
Somersets	12	8	1	3	24	9	17
South China	7	2	4	24	11	10	10
R.A.	7	1	8	23	25	15	13
Kowloon	13	5	3	5	25	19	13
Club	14	2	4	8	17	30	8
St. Joseph's	15	3	0	12	14	47	6
Recreio	13	2	1	10	14	38	5
Police	13	2	1	10	13	36	5

Division II.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
K.O.S.B.	27	22	2	3	110	17	49
Royal Navy	18	13	3	2	60	13	29
S. China "A"	16	13	1	2	47	10	27
S. China "B"	16	13	1	2	50	23	28
Somersets	17	9	5	4	44	25	21
Eastern	16	7	2	7	23	35	18
Kowloon	16	7	2	7	27	37	18
St. Joseph's	16	6	3	7	35	33	15
R.A.	17	5	3	9	20	42	13
Chin. Ath.	15	5	9	24	41	11	11
S. China "B"	15	4	2	9	22	46	10
University	15	3	1	11	13	43	7
R.A.M.C.	16	1	1	13	16	48	6
Ewo	16	1	1	13	13	56	6
Club	15	1	2	12	8	55	4

TENNIS

Tientsin Champion in Action

The Tientsin champion, A. L. Rumjahn, was seen to advantage in the Hong Kong Cricket Club tennis tournament yesterday. Opposed to A. E. Guest he lost only five games, and did not appear to be seriously extended. He will meet S. E. Green, and a most interesting game should result.

Ng Sze-kwong celebrated his reappearance by a comfortable win over Lee Hua-ngak, and seemed to be in excellent form.

Churchill beat S. A. Gray in straight sets.

The full programme of games was as follows:—

Open Singles

FIRST ROUND

A. L. Rumjahn beat A. E. Guest 6-1, 6-2, 6-2.

W. C. Hung beat P. W. J. Planner 6-2, 3-6, 6-3, 11-9.

SECOND ROUND

Ng Sze-kwong beat Lee Hua-ngak 6-1, 6-2, 6-1.

G. H. W. Churchill beat S. A. Gray 7-5, 6-1, 6-2.

I. M. A. Razak beat F. E. Remedios 2-6, 6-4, 6-2, 6-4.

Club Championship

Capt. Ether

World News In Pictures

Nature's Secrets



Mrs. Ethel Ely Pattison, one of the few expert woman seed analysts in the world, at work in her laboratory, weighing some imported soy beans, preparatory to making a complete analysis of their suitability to native culture. Surveys are also made for the guidance of purchasers of huge quantities of seed from abroad.

Grand Duke Breaks Monte Carlo



The former Grand Duke Dimitri of Russia and his American wife, the former Audrey Emery, is reported to be the first to break the bank in the present Monte Carlo season. Duke Dimitri, who is really the last of the grand dukes living in traditional grand ducal splendour, achieved the break of the bank by the persistent use of his favourite number, 29.

Woman Governor



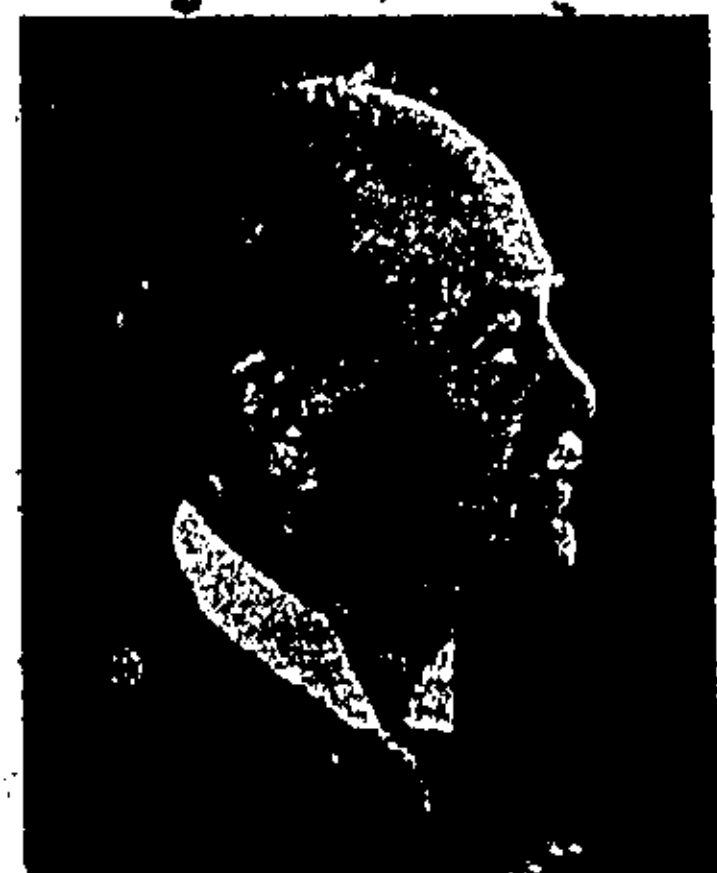
Mrs. Oda Negbaur is the first woman to be appointed to a non-subaltern political office in Europe. Mrs. Negbaur has been made Governor of the Province of Steinmark, in Austria.

Recants Ape Theory



Dr. Henry Fairfield Osborn, Director of the American Museum of Natural History, New York, and one of the world's most distinguished zoologists and paleontologists, has retracted his ape-man theory because he is now convinced that the primordial man had long legs and short arms.

New Official Adviser



Viscount Dundee, one of Scotland's most distinguished jurists, has been made official adviser to the King and Queen in private matters. He has served as Solicitor-General, Secretary and Lord Advocate for Scotland.

French Delegate



M. Georges Leygues, French Minister of the Marine, whose profound knowledge of the international naval situation will undoubtedly stand him in good stead during the forthcoming disarmament conference, is a member of the French delegation to the League of Nations meeting last summer.

Mexico's New President



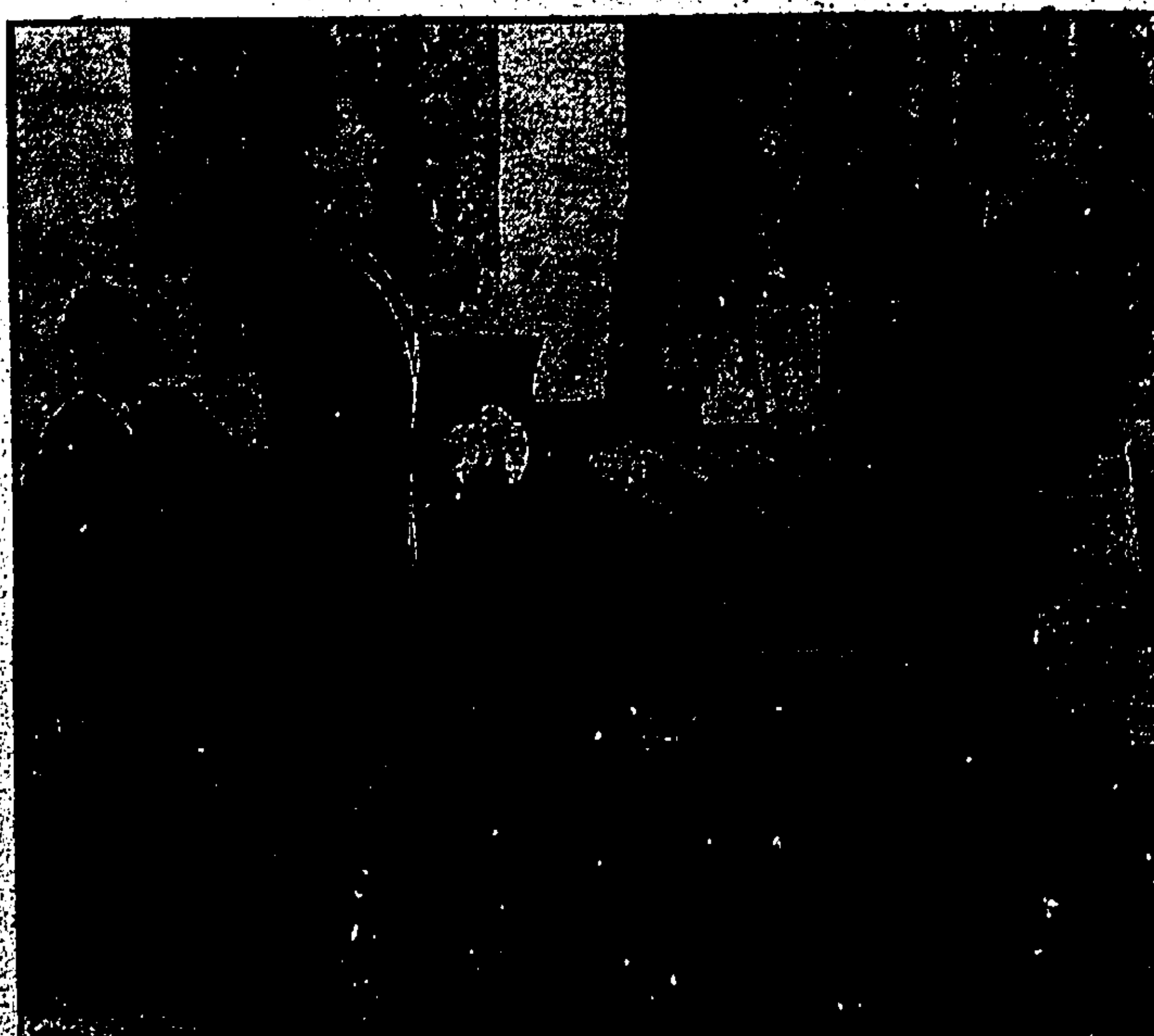
Left to right are Assistant Secretary of State Francis White, Secretary of State Henry L. Stimson, Senora Donna Yvonne Lynch de Campos-Ortiz, President Ortiz Rubio of Mexico, President Hoover, Senora Ortiz Rubio, Mrs. Hoover and Manuel Tello, Mexican Ambassador to the United States. The new Mexican President is in hospital, having narrowly escaped assassination.

Paisley Cinema Fire



First photo to reach this Colony of the Glen Motion Picture Theatre, in Paisley, Scotland, where seventy-two children were killed and scores more injured in the worst tragedy that the British film industry has ever suffered. Children were either crushed to death or asphyxiated by noxious fumes from burning films in a mad rush for liberty, when panic struck 2,000 children attending a New Year's Eve performance in the theatre.

Seeking the Path to Fame



Pasquale Amato, celebrated baritone, who charmed Metropolitan Opera audiences for sixteen years, has turned his attention to cultivating voices in others who show promise of becoming great singers. He is here shown with one of his star pupils, Miss Mena. The lot whose talent for dramatic recitations are being played by Miguel Bandor at the piano.

Hong Kong Flight



Harry A. Husted, Cleveland inventor and manufacturer, is planning to cut in two the Graf Zeppelin's 21-day world-encircling record by performing the same feat in 10 days and 12 hours. Husted's proposed route is from San Francisco, to Hong Kong, Siberia, Moscow, Paris, London, Newfoundland, New York and back to San Francisco.

Labour M.P.



Mrs. Mary Agnes Hamilton, Labour M.P., and one of the two women members of the British delegation to the League of Nations meeting last summer.

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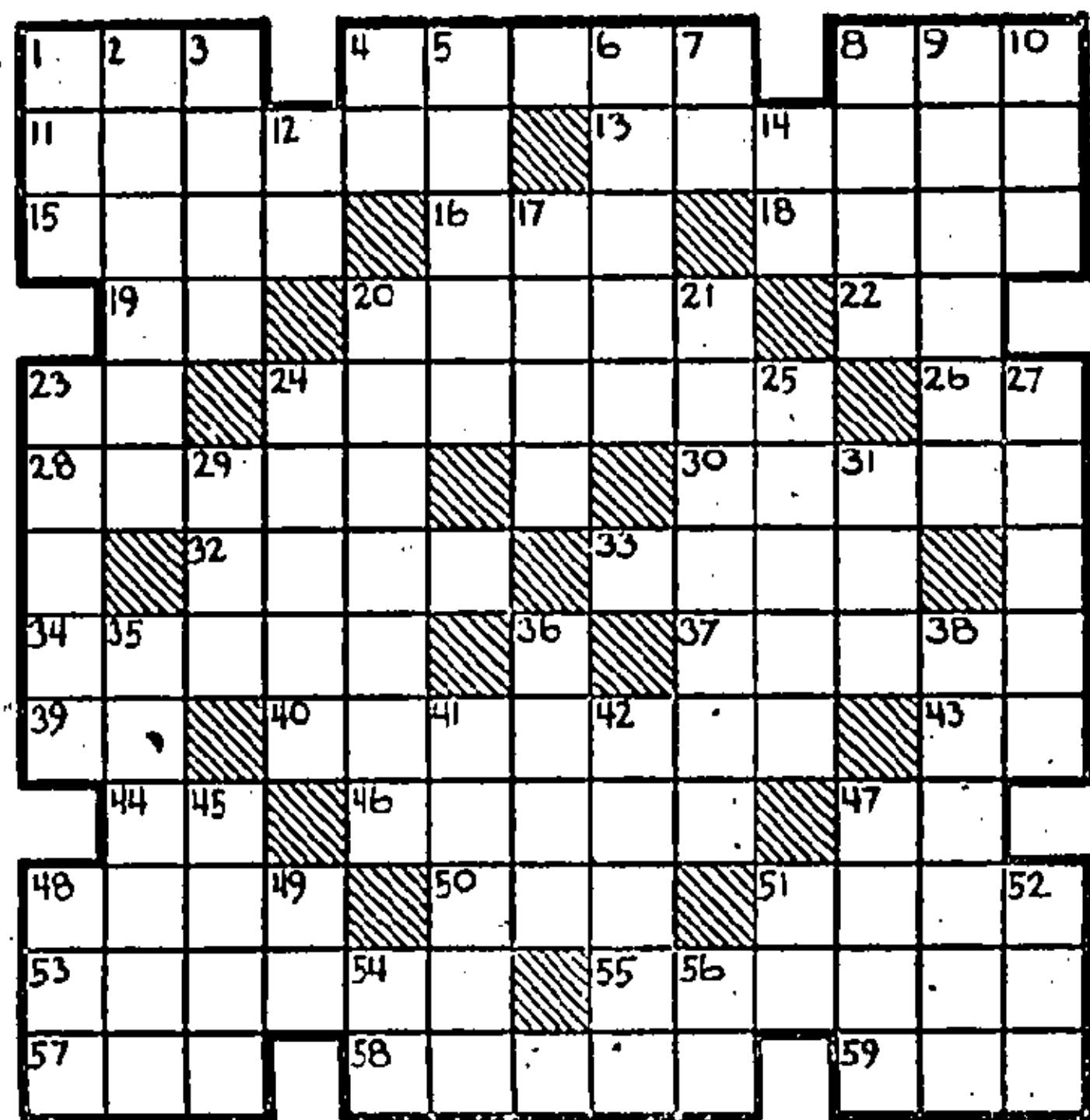
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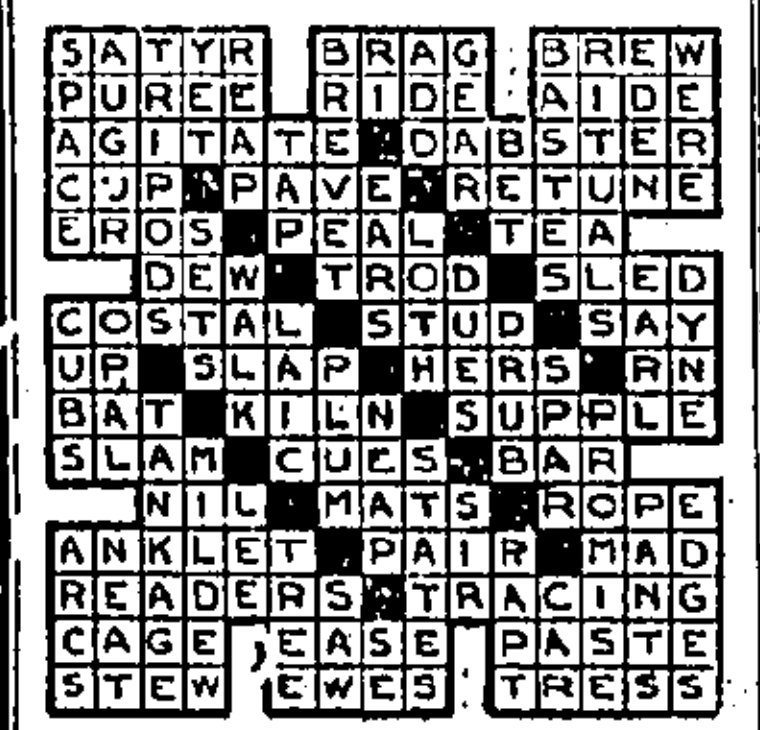
(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1-House animal | 43-Electrical Engineer | 9-Honestly |
| 4-Fruit of the oak | 44-A continent (abbr.) | 10-Conjunction |
| 8-Royal Field Artillery | 46-Withered | 12-Exist |
| (abbr.) | 47-Promissory note | 14-Musical note |
| 11-Salt of sulfur acid | (abbr.) | 17-Buff |
| 13-Partaining to the | 48-Account (abbr.) | 20-Rams |
| wind | 50-A textile fabric | 21-Attempted |
| 15-Neat | 51-Verbal | 23-Tender |
| 16-Lair | 53-Chief island of | 24-Growing out |
| 18-Tart | Society group | 25-Secured |
| 19-Order of Merit | 55-To pass unnoticed | 27-Idler |
| (abbr.) | 57-Before | 28-Masculine name |
| 20-Sew neatly | 58-Tears | 31-Chinese plant |
| 22-Comparative ending | 59-Dental degree | 35-East-Indian native |
| of adjectives | (abbr.) | 36-Land measure |
| 23-Conjunction | VERTICAL | 39-The fox |
| 24-Fervent | 1-Hat | 41-Weird |
| 26-Lord (abbr.) | 2-Roman goddess of | 42-Warm |
| 28-Walk | the dawn | 43-Goad |
| 30-Windland deity | 3-Neat | 48-Consumed |
| (Gr. Myth.) | 4-Preposition | 49-Musical note |
| 32-Price | 5-Evergreen tree | 51-Upon |
| 33-Back of the neck | 6-Income (Fr.) | 52-The (French) |
| 34-Exile | 7-Negative | 54-Treasurer (abbr.) |
| 37-Long for | 8-Cereal | 55-Guineas (abbr.) |
| 39-Egyptian sun god | | |
| 40-Constructed | | |

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



STANDARD TIMES

Sunrise and Sunset in Colony

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for February (Standard time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich), are as follow:-

February	Sunrise a.m.	Sunset p.m.
20	6.52	6.22
21	6.51	6.23
22	6.50	6.23
23	6.50	6.24
24	6.49	6.24
25	6.48	6.25
26	6.48	6.25
27	6.47	6.26
28	6.46	6.26

To ensure that miners may have priority in the rationing of food, the 'Nottinghamshire Miners' Welfare Committee is to launch a campaign to raise £1,000 for the 1930-31 Empire Food Campaign.

HATRY TRIAL

When His Iron Nerve Gave Way

HIS EARLY ROMANCE

R. E. Corder, whose facile pen is known to all Britons, writing in the London Daily Mail on January 25 on the Hatry trial said:-

Four men endured fifteen minutes of agony in the dock at the Old Bailey yesterday.

That was the time taken by Mr. Justice Avey in passing sentence on Hatry, Daniels, Tabor, and Dixon, the four financiers who controlled the Hatry group of companies which crashed last September with a total deficiency of more than £13,500,000.

Those fifteen terrible minutes, when the sternest of judges, speaking cutting phrases as cold as falling icicles, was slashing through sentiment to sentence, were the most terrifying I have experienced in a court of justice. It was a fearful lesson in the power and dignity of British justice. The frail elderly man in his scarlet robes symbolically unsheathed the great sword that hung behind him and smote the four men who had broken their country's laws.

Ruthless Punishment
Hatry, the chief criminal, suffered more than his associates, not only in the severity of the maximum sentence, but also in a repetition of ruthless punishment. When he heard the sentence of 14 years' penal servitude Hatry, whose clever face had become grey, turned briskly and made for the stairs leading from the dock.

"Stay," commanded the harsh voice of the judge.
Hatry, his face impassive, his hands locked tightly behind his back, returned and faced the judge, whose cold blue eyes looked into the brown eyes of the prisoner as he added: "You will on the other indictment serve five years' penal servitude and two years with hard labour, the sentences to run concurrently."

Again Hatry sought the seclusion of the stairs, and again he was brought back.

"I had forgotten the second indictment," said Mr. Justice Avey. "On that you will serve five years' penal servitude, the sentence to run concurrently."

Like A Sleep-Walker
Hatry now moved automatically like a sleep-walker. His iron nerve had given way under the terrible tension, and he groped his way down the friendly stairs that led to a kindly silence.

The sentence of 14 years was received by the crowded court, packed with a swift intaking of breath that sounded like the soft sighing of wind, but the repeated ordeal of Hatry was seen in a tense silence save for the hysterical moan of some overwrought woman.

Drama such as the stage has never seen was developing as the clock ticked seconds of suffering. Hatry had gone to a living grave, but the accusing voice of the stern judge went on. The unsheathed sword seemed to be glittering over the dock where the men remained to her hard words that meant bitter tears.

One by one each man learned his fate, one by one each man suffered the public exposure of his sins and the punishment thereof. And all took their punishment like men.

To me it looked as if they were dazed by the sentence passed on Hatry. They were incapable of emotion, because emotion had been frozen by the fate of their master and leader.

Daniels, whose dimpled face was made for smiles, stared at the judge like a man hypnotised. Tabor, tall, broad-shouldered, stood like a man turned into stone.

Dixon, the man of the ordered mind, a man more ready to receive orders than to give them, was held impassive by the force of discipline, but when it came to his turn to endure the searing words of the stern judge his throat worked convulsively and his hands trembled as he plucked at his coat.

A nod from the judge, a tap on the shoulder from a warder, and Dixon went slowly down the stairs, leaving the big dock empty.

Next came that always pathetic plea of defending counsel for permission for the prisoners to see their relatives. Daniels wished to see his mother.

"Permission is granted at the discretion of the prison authorities," declared the judge.

Half-past two! The great trial was over and the great crowd walked out talking in whispers, awed by the experience of those fearful fifteen minutes.

Three hours of thrills preceded those terrible fifteen minutes. The trial took a dramatic turn from the first when the four prisoners withdrew their plea of "not guilty" and enabled the jury to return a verdict of guilty without leaving the box.

From that moment the trial, which for four days had been a monotonous recital of facts and figures, became a vivid and moving human drama.

Mr. Norman Birkett, in an eloquent speech lasting for an hour and twenty minutes, told of that fateful meeting in Hatry's house on June 23. At that meeting Gialdini, the Italian, now safe in his villa at Milan, threatened to blow out his brains sooner than face the crash that threatened the Hatry group of companies. The four prisoners were moved by Gialdini's threat to plan the forgeries of the share certificates that brought them to the dock.

As Mr. Norman Birkett pleaded that mercy should be mingled with justice, and that his client should not be given such a punishment as would destroy hope—"the last earthly thing a man could have"—Hatry's eyes filled with tears, which he furtively wiped away with his hand. Daniels also was deeply moved, and he wept in sympathy with his chief.

Mr. Norman Birkett repeated the poignant passage in Hatry's confession: "My name has become a byword. When I leave prison, whenever that may be, my punishment will begin all over again."

But contrition, sorrow, sentiment, all the force of eloquence, all the pleas for mitigation were as if they had never been made, as the clock ticked for fifteen fearful minutes.

Hatry's Romance
A correspondent of the same journal writing from Brighton said:-

How Mrs. Hatry met her husband and was married to him when she was only 16 was told to me to-night by her uncle, Mr. Joseph Griffin, of Eastern-road, Brighton.

It is like a fairy tale romance, this story of a girl who captivated Hatry by her youth and beauty and

lived to become a millionaire's wife famous for her jewels, her clothes, and her hospitality.

Mr. Griffin is a poor man, and he said:

"I have only seen Mrs. Hatry once since the wedding, when she came to Brighton just after her mother's death.

"She was born in Camberwell [S.E.] Her maiden name was Violet Ferguson, but we always called her Dolly, after her mother. When she was about 11 her mother went on the stage, and I promised to look after Dolly.

"When she was about 15 her mother came to live in Brighton, and Dolly left me and lived with her. It was here that Hatry met her. She was a beautiful girl, and there is no doubt that he was captivated. They decided to get married soon after. I think she was only 16 when the ceremony took place.

"I next saw Hatry when Dolly's mother, who was my sister, died and was buried in Brighton. Soon after that Dolly came to see me in my shop here. Every Christmas I used to get a present from her.

"I am the only relative she has left, apart from her husband and children."

WHITE AUSTRALIA

What Mr. Scullin Has Done to Help

Mr. Scullin has been lashing himself into a fury because a London periodical has referred to Australia, possibly tropical Australia, as a black man's country, says the Brisbane Courier in a leading article.

What was obviously meant is that tropical Australia cannot be colonised by white labour.

Mr. Scullin confesses himself astonished at the "grotesque misrepresentation," and he added (showing clearly that he knew what was intended), "Australia is a white man's country, and we are determined to keep it white, and to maintain the highest economic standards."

That is very commendable, but it yet has to be proved. Northern Australia, with more than half a million square miles, is carrying a few hundreds of white population, and it is less prosperous to-day than it was when the Commonwealth took it over from South Australia very nearly twenty years ago.

How Australia is Held
Perhaps everybody in the Commonwealth who understands anything about the dangers of racial conflicts is in favour of retaining Australia for the white race. But we are holding it by virtue of the British Navy. Mr. Scullin and his Party are not doing anything to help its retention for the white race by breaking down our defence system and by discouraging migration.

White Australia is a magnificent ideal; but if we wish to retain the whole continent for the white race we will have to encourage migration, and we will have to abandon the stupid idea that immense areas of tropical Australia, hundreds of miles away from a market, can be developed by Government proclamations. Arbitration Court awards, and unemployed doles.

The price of bread at Home remains unchanged in spite of the decline of wheat prices and the fall of shipping freights, producing uncertain market conditions.

Gives Name to Rockies Pass



naming a pass in the mountains after him. Gibbon Pass has hitherto been anonymous and lies between Shadow Lake and the Twin Lakes, below Hall and Storm mountains in the valley of the Bow, midway between Banff and Lake Louise. Not far from travelled routes in the Rockies and located in one of their most picturesque sections, Gibbon Pass was actually discovered by Mr. Gibbon when he was planning the route to be taken by Trail Riders last summer and himself hiked over the trail between the two lakes.

The name was conferred recently by the Geographic Board of Canada in honor of Mr. Gibbon's work as poet, novelist, promoter of musical and folklore festivals and founder of the Order of Trail Riders of the Canadian Rockies which numbers members from all parts of this continent, Europe and Australia, and which has done inestimable work in bringing the glories of Canada to the knowledge of the world. Lay-out shows the Pass, with-inset of Mr. Gibbon and below close-up of group of Trail Riders.

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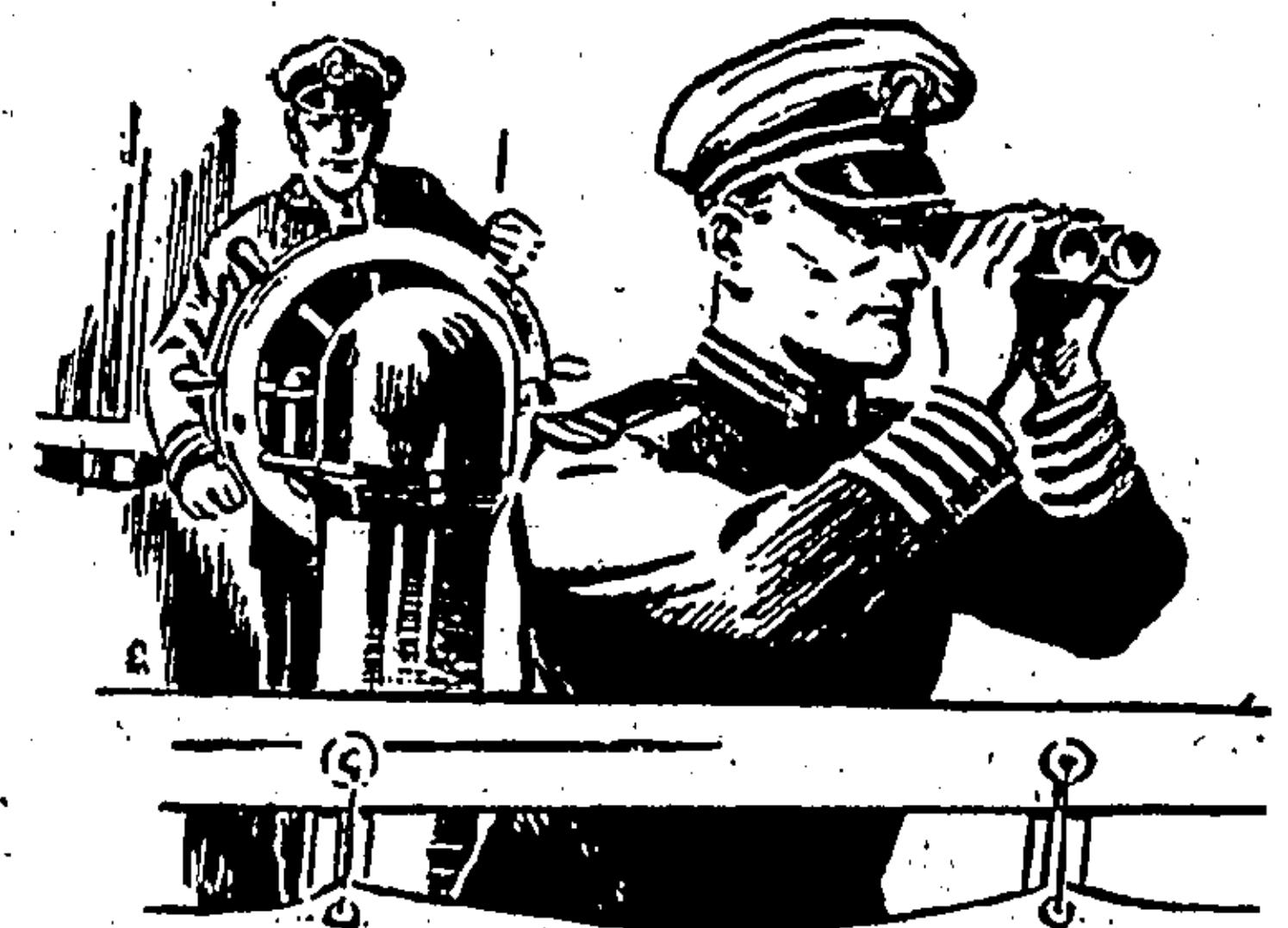
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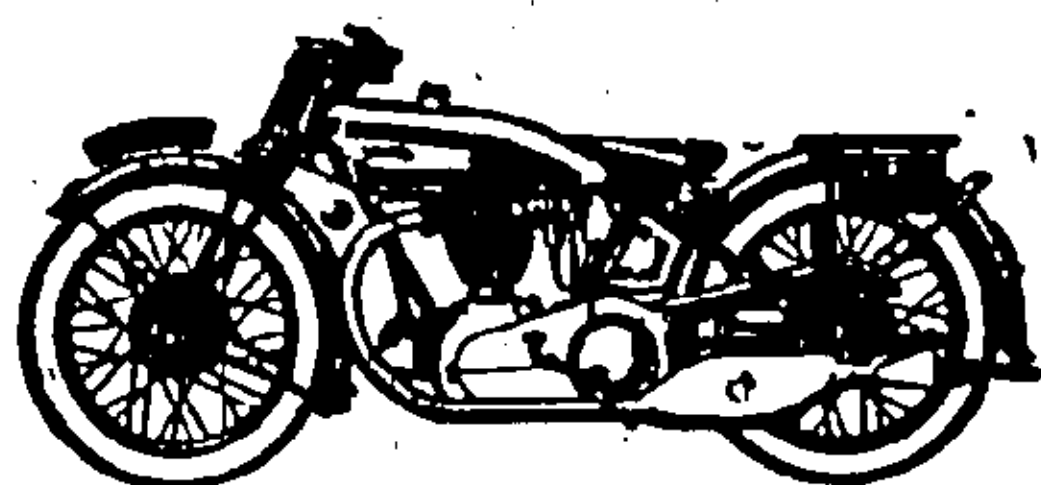
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Maker.—Humber, Ltd., Coventry.
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Engine details.—Number of cylinders.—Six. Watercooled with impeller and fan. Thermostatically-controlled radiator shutters. Bore.—50 mm. Stroke.—110 mm. Cubic capacity.—349.5 c.c. Traction rating.—23.8 h.p. Tax.—£24. Ignition.—Coil with automatic advance. Lubrication.—Forced with pressure filter. Carburettor.—Stromberg vertical pump type with water-heated manifold. Other details.—Overhead inlet valves. Chain-driven camshaft. Four point suspension on rubber trunnions.

Clutch.—Single dry plate, Ferodo lined.
 Gearbox.—Four speeds and reverse. Right-hand control in visible gear. "Silent third speed". Ratios.—Top, 4.65 to 1; third, 8.66 to 1; second, 11.23 to 1; first, 16.82 to 1.

Transmission.—Hardy-Spicer propeller shaft to spiral bevel final drive. Brakes.—Bendix Duo-Servo two-shoe brakes on all four wheels. Operated by pedal. Hand lever operates brakes on rear wheels.

Steering.—Marles worm and roller system. Turning circle, 33 ft. Chassis lubrication.—Silentbushes and self-lubricating bearings are fitted where possible. Remaining points lubricated by grease gun.

Springing.—Semi-elliptic, fore and aft. Rear springs underslung. Silentbushes shackle bushes. Hartford shock absorbers.

Wheels and tyres.—Wire. Dunlop "Normal" tyres, 29 in. by 5.5 in. Patrol system.—Rear tank, 12 gallons (two gallons reserve). Supply by A.C. fuel pump. Petrol gauge on dash.

Lighting and starting.—Lucas dynamo and starting motor. Wheelbase.—40 ft. Track.—4 ft. 8 in. Ground clearance.—8½ in.

Prices.—Saloon (model tested), £535. Other models range in price from £495 to £565.

At the last Motor Show at Olympia there were on exhibition certain cars designed and produced as a challenge, to the Americans. Two cars stood out from all the rest and one of the two was the Humber "Snipe." Its price was low—£495 for the open four-seater—its equipment was comprehensive, its performance was good and its speed high. The makers claimed for it a maximum effective speed of 75 miles an hour and later tests have shown that the claim was justified. Its three and a-half litre engine makes it suitable for work abroad where roads are not like billiard tables in the matter of surface.

During my test I drove to Coventry and back. On the outward half of the journey I had to follow another car which, because of dilapidations, had a maximum speed of about 45 miles an hour. Thus the drive was tedious. At a speed of from 30 to 40 miles an hour sleep is easy in the "Snipe," and the general simplicity of driving was such that inattention was also easy. The type of maniac who finds little use in gearboxes will be satisfied with the "Snipe," as a lazy driver need never change down from top on normal British roads. The "silent third speed" is reasonably quiet and the change-down is simple—in fact, the entire gearbox is foolproof. Acceleration is excellent and the car leaps up to 60 miles an hour with an effortless sweep. Progress to 70 is naturally a little slower, but that speed can be held as long as traffic permits.

The return journey was more pleasant. We left Foleshill, a mile or two north of Coventry at 3 p.m. and one hour later—in spite of a careful passage through Coventry, the home of the worst drivers in the world—we had covered a distance of exactly 45 miles. Driving was comfortable and easy throughout. The high average speed was maintained largely as a result of the power of swift acceleration inherent in the car. The only trouble of the drive was caused by the brakes. Smooth in application in the early stages, they were inclined to become slightly too effective when swift pressure was applied and, as a result, the car buck-jumped a little in emergency "pull-ups." This fault was probably due to bad adjustment. The car held the road well at all speeds. Cornering was good and there was no tendency to roll.

The "Snipe" does not in its outward appearance convey any suggestion of high speed and the most respectable of maiden aunts could be taken for a drive ignorant that she was being transported in a machine with a performance better than that of many so-called "sports" cars. There is a touch of humour in the defect which can be inflicted by

the "Snipe" on the fierce lads who crash along the roads in an atmosphere of noise, streamline and burnt castor oil. There is a difference between attaining and holding a speed of 75 miles an hour. What the "Snipe" has it holds. In spite of its high maximum speed the car is easy to drive in traffic. My 210 mile test drive on December 18 caused less exhaustion than has many a drive of 100 miles or less.

The bodywork is good and is comfortable. The equipment is as complete as needs be. The petrol consumption appears to be low. In this drive I used about 9½ gallons. Many miles were driven in traffic and the car itself was new. If this account appears to be over-eulogistic the doubtful reader should prove its accuracy by demanding a trial run from a Humber agent. The "Snipe" will induce thinking among American manufacturers, and if, in addition, it causes thought on the part of certain British manufacturers no harm will be done. The "Snipe" should earn as much distinction as did the 10-12 h.p. Coventry "Humber of days long past." W. E. de B. W. in the Army, Navy, and Air Force Gazette.

"CHRYSLER'S"

New York Architects' Surprise

What is claimed to be the world's tallest skyscraper, the Chrysler building in Forty-Second Street, stands triumphant in New York after a most amusing contest in architectural history with another American structure, the Bank of Manhattan, in Wall Street.

The contest between the two architects who designed these skyscrapers was for the world's tallest building, and the matter is still undecided. The Chrysler building is 1,030 ft. high from the pavement to the tip of its lantern tower, 46 ft. higher than the Eiffel Tower in Paris, while the Wall Street structure is 925 ft. high, including a 50 ft. flagpole.

But, although the Chrysler skyscraper is claimed to be the tallest in the world, it has only 68 storeys, compared with 71 carried by the Bank of Manhattan, which offers living accommodation at a height above that of any office which may be rented in its Forty-Second Street rival.

How It Began

The contest came about in this way. Two American architects, Mr. William van Alen and Mr. H. Craig Severance, former partners, separated, and each received a contract to design the world's tallest building. Mr. van Alen designed the Chrysler and Mr. Severance the Wall Street building. The bank's foundations were started before the old building on the site had been pulled down. The Chrysler building was begun in October, 1927, and when it halted at the 68th storey, Mr. Severance thought the victory was his.

But Mr. van Alen had a mystery up his sleeve, but nothing was said about it until the American flag was seen one day floating 185 ft. above the Chrysler skyscraper's topmost storey. This feat was accomplished by means of a slender lantern tower, far larger than but similar to the delicate tower that graces Amiens Cathedral in France.

This Chrysler pinnacle was constructed in a lift-shaft and raised slowly by a derrick tackle and block.

The architect believes that any elevation over 1,000 ft. is a mountain, and the opinion of the National Geographical Society is being sought as to whether the Chrysler building may be termed a mountain. It is reported that some thousands of dollars have been wagered by those interested in the rise of New York's latest skyscrapers.

For the moment, however, a Daniel is wanted who shall solve the knotty point arising out of Mr. van Alen's claim that the Chrysler building rises higher than the Bank of Manhattan, coupled with his failure to provide living accommodation at a height equal to that which the bank can offer.

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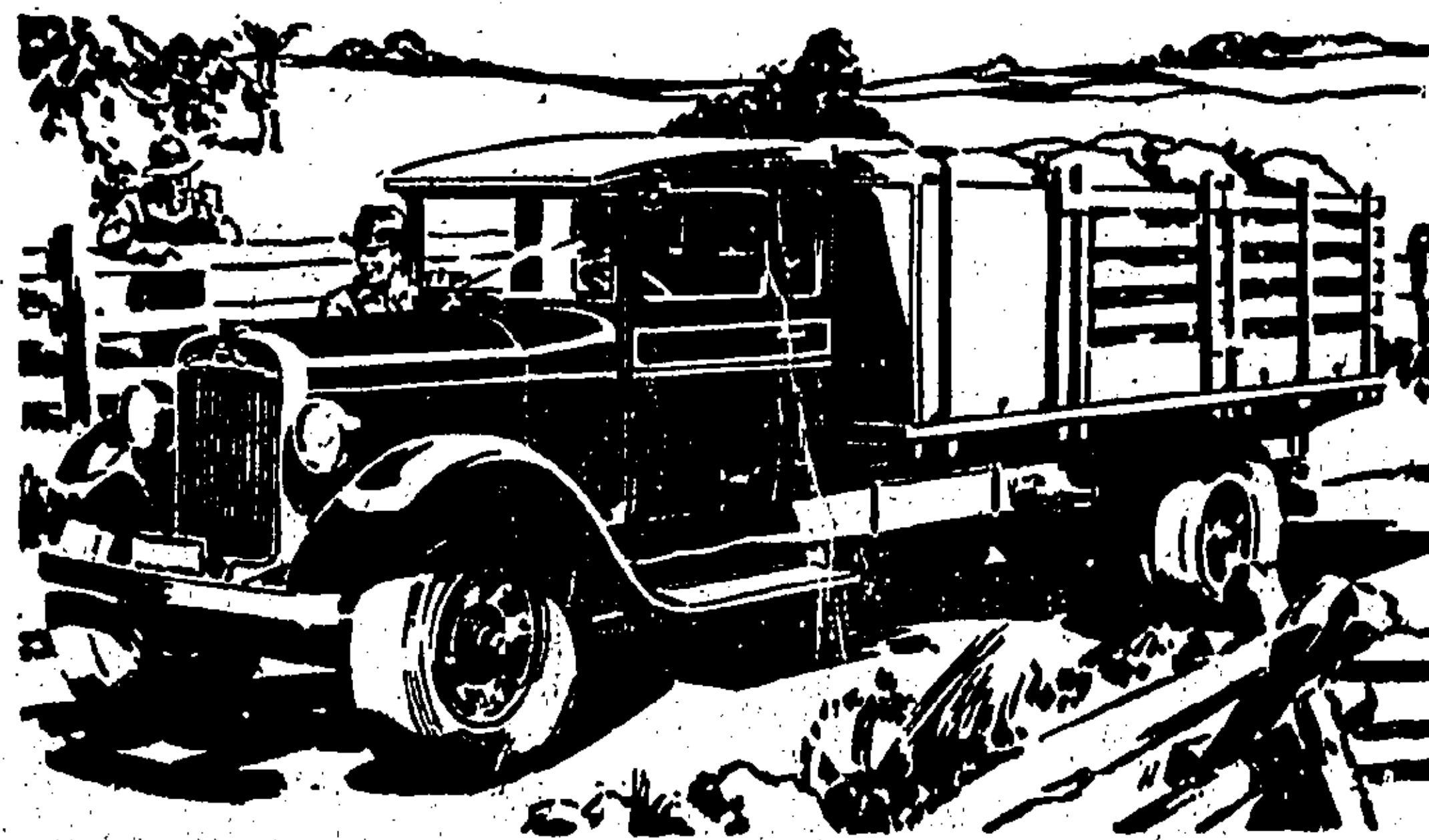
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The test of the fleet is almost entirely composed of other G.M.C. and Chevrolet trucks. Most of them show a mileage of six figures and the drivers are very proud of them despite the fact that they are not "oil paintings" due to the lack of the necessary time to effect renovations. Incidentally, the drivers have shown interest in the trucks by christening them with appropriate names such as the "Flying Wagon," "Mancunia," and "Gloster Gander."

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RULES OF THE ROAD

MOTORISTS' CHARTER

"Owner Driver" writes in the Review of Reviews:—

The "Road Traffic Bill" is out at last, and a very good Bill it seems to be. In the course of its passage through Parliament it may be improved or damaged; but, as it stands, its valuable provisions so far outweigh those which may appear doubtful that motorists in general will give it a hearty welcome.

The best thing about it is its obvious tendency to lay down a law which can be obeyed. The old law, passed twenty-five years ago, before the development of the motor-car and of motor traffic could be clearly foreseen, was obsolete from the beginning. About that time I remember seeing a play in which one of the principal characters was a Cabinet Minister. He confessed that he had driven from town to the country house in which the scene was laid, at a speed that defied the 20-mile limit. When he was rebuked for breaking the law which he and his colleagues had caused Parliament to enact he answered: "Who bothers about the law with a good car on a clear road?" or words to that effect.

This has been the case, only more so, ever since. Now the stupid 20-mile limit is to be swept away. In its place come new checks upon road-hogging in the form of heavy penalties for dangerous driving. For this offence the penalty is to be a maximum of three months' imprisonment or a fine of £50 on a first conviction. For subsequent convictions the fine may be raised to £100 if the conviction be summary. If it be obtained on indictment the penalties are raised to six months' imprisonment and a fine. All convictions for this offence are to be indorsed on the motorist's licence; and unless there are special reasons to the contrary, the licence is to be withdrawn on a second offence.

Therefore it is possible, and indeed probable, that many a road hog will be lodged in a special sty if the Bill becomes law. Nobody, least of all a decent motorist, will pity him or her.

Another offence, that of "careless driving" is defined as driving "without due care and attention or without reasonable consideration for other persons using the road," but a conviction for this offence will not entail the withdrawal of a licence, nor do the penalties for it seem to be clearly specified. The object of defining this new offence is apparently to provide an alternative to the "dangerous driving" charge. Without it, a motorist might be liable to prosecution and to heavy penalties for a minor or even a technical offence. In order that motorists may know what technical offences are, the Minister of Transport will issue a "highway code" costing a penny a copy. While failure to observe the code would not in itself be an offence, the fact that it had not been observed might be used as evidence in an actual offence committed. The net effect of the "dangerous" and "careless" driving clauses, and of the existence of an official code, should be to render motorists at once more cautious in their own interest and more considerate of others.

The Bill makes no provision for a definite test for drivers. It accepts the view of the Royal Commission on Transport to the effect that, having regard to qualifications that are only to be acquired by knowledge and experience, no preliminary tests can be effective. On this point I think the Bill might be extended and improved. If persons now holding licences may be supposed to have gained the requisite knowledge and experience, and be left to face the terrors of the law without further qualification, something might be done to ensure that new applicants for licences shall be fit to take the road. As I have before suggested, it would be a good thing if all such applicants were required to produce a certificate of fitness and of road experience from a registered teacher, all professional teachers being obliged to register themselves to this end. If the professional teachers themselves were compelled to pass severe tests as a condition of registration, a considerable safeguard would thus be provided.

Certain changes which the Bill recommends should tend to diminish accidents on the road. Though the age for motor-car drivers is not raised above the present minimum of 17 years, it is raised to 21 in the case of heavy motor-cars, tractors, or locomotives. In the case of motor-cycles the age is increased from 14 to 16, and it is made unlawful for more than one person to be carried on the pillion, while any pillion rider must sit astride on a proper seat securely fixed. Moreover, applicants for licences will be required to declare whether they are suffering from any disease or physical disability which would be likely to cause their driving to be a source of danger to

the public. Severe penalties are proposed for any false declaration. Among the disabilities indicated are bad sight and liability to fits. An applicant who is refused a licence may, however, demand to be put through a practical test in driving, and has a right of appeal to a court of Summary Jurisdiction. On obtaining licences, all drivers will be required to insure themselves against third party risks and to carry with them a "certificate of insurance" in the same way as they now carry their licences.

Some of the most remarkable provisions of the Bill relate to the maximum speeds of heavy vehicles, such as locomotives, motor coaches and tractors, lorries and other goods vehicles. Motor-cars constructed to carry not more than eight persons in addition to the driver are exempt from any speed limit; but the schedule of speeds for other types of vehicle is as follows:

Class of Vehicle	Maximum speed Miles An Hour.
Heavy Locomotives	
(a) Within any city, town or village	3
(b) Elsewhere	5
Light Locomotives	
(a) When not drawing a trailer or more than two trailers, if all the wheels of both the locomotive and any trailer drawn thereby are fitted with soft or elastic tyres	8

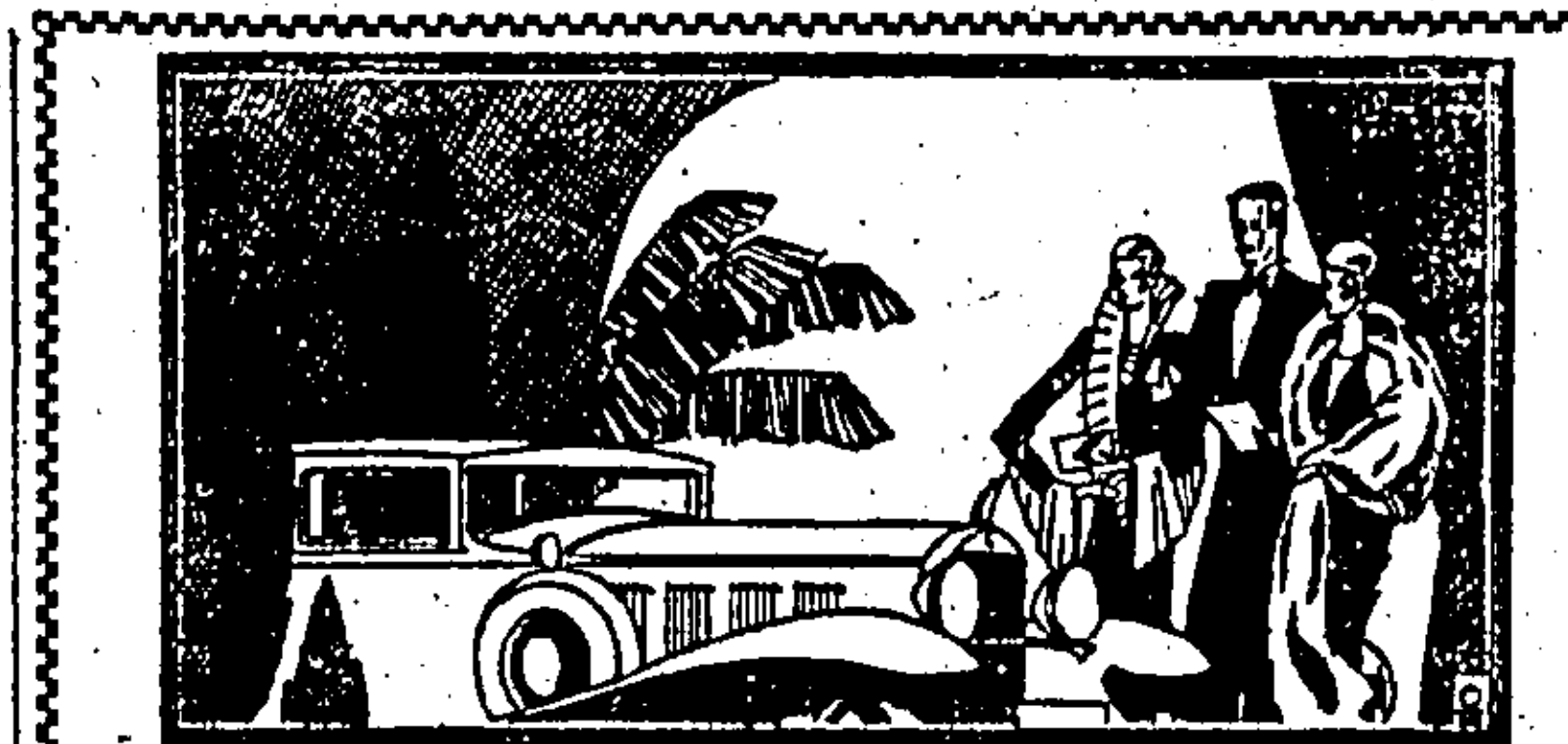


New York taxi drivers obeying Commissioner (Grover) Whalen's sartorial edict will be dressed in the above costume. The fetching ensemble consists of a rubberised duster of black and pearl gray, cut to the figure from the shoulder to waist line and slightly bouffant in the skirt. A modish visored "top-over" cap worn at a slightly rakish angle will also be the "démolition" for the cab pilots.

(b) In any other case	5
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(b) If all the wheels are not fitted with pneumatic tyres but are fitted with soft or elastic tyres	16
(ii) With trailer—	
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(b) If all the wheels, both of the drawing vehicle and of the trailer, are not fitted with pneumatic tyres but are fitted with soft or elastic tyres	12
(iii) In any other case	5
Motor-cars and Motor-cycles	
(1) Passenger Vehicles—	
(a) If all the wheels are fitted with pneumatic tyres, not drawing a trailer, and constructed to carry not more than eight persons in addition to the driver	No limit

(b) If all the wheels are fitted with pneumatic tyres, and the vehicle is not drawing a trailer, and is constructed to carry more than eight persons in addition to the driver	30
(c) In any other case	20
Goods Vehicles—	
(i) Without trailer—	
(a) If all the wheels are fitted with pneumatic tyres	30
(b) If all the wheels are not fitted with pneumatic tyres but are fitted with soft or elastic tyres	20
(ii) With trailer—	
(a) If all the wheels, both of the drawing vehicle and of the trailer, are fitted with pneumatic tyres	16
(b) If all the wheels, both of the drawing vehicle and of the trailer, are not fitted with pneumatic tyres, but are fitted with soft or elastic tyres	12
(iii) In any other case	5
Invalid Carriages	16

These speeds follow the recommendations of the Royal Commission on Transport, except that the speed limit for motor coaches with pneumatic tyres has been reduced from the 35 miles an hour proposed by the Commission to 30 miles an hour. This reduction is likely to lead to some outcry among the owners of motor coaches, many of which now run at speeds exceeding 40 miles an hour even on narrow roads. With their case I have very little sympathy. Large numbers of these coaches have been built without regard to the width of the roads along which they pass or to the inconvenience and even danger they cause to other road users. Again and again during the past twelve months I have been obliged to drive at a speed above forty-seven miles an hour in order to overtake them on roads in the South of England; and, as these coaches have a habit of bunching themselves together, it has sometimes been necessary to drive along behind them or between them for miles, on end, inhaling their exhaust fumes, before an opportunity occurred to pass them. To overtake a motor coach or a lorry that is running at, say, forty miles an hour and is blocking by its bulk a clear view of the road ahead is apt to be a dangerous operation which a sensible motorist will not risk unless he or she is unable to do otherwise. But if motor coaches keep to thirty miles an hour and are driven with reasonable consideration for other users of the road, the danger of passing them will be greatly reduced. At some future time, when all roads may be broad, well-



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cambered and fairly straight, the case for limiting the speed of heavy vehicles may lose its present force; but, in conditions as they are to-day, the proper place for people who wish to travel on narrow winding roads in large coaches at the speed of express trains, is in express trains.

The longest part of the new Bill consists of thirty-eight clauses dealing with the regulation of public service vehicles. The Bill proposes that the country shall be divided into 12 traffic areas, each of which is to be subject to three Commissioners who are to be responsible not only for licensing but for the conduct of adequate and efficient services. On the other hand, the Commissioners will eliminate unnecessary services, though they will provide unremunerative services, where necessary and co-ordinate all forms of passenger transport in their respective areas. The Minister of Transport will be empowered to make regulations for the proper construction of public service vehicles, and to govern the conduct of drivers and passengers.

In both Houses of Parliament the Bill will be closely scrutinised and may have to withstand attacks from quarters which are not reconciled to the disappearance of the speed limit for "light" cars and motor-cycles. It would be well if the Minister of Transport in the House of Commons, and whoever may be in charge of the Bill in the House of Lords, should ask partisans of the speed limit to state whether they are competent to drive a motor-car themselves and, if not, what their qualifications may be for offering an opinion on the subject. I should also like to see some penalty included in the Bill for the offence of "walking so the danger of road users and of the public. If motorists are to be compelled to be careful, it is only right that pedestrians who walk upon or cross

the roads should be made to feel that they too have a duty to others as well as to themselves.

During the wet month of November the folly of pedestrians was exhibited in an astonishing degree. However carefully a motorist may drive on wet and slippery surfaces, it is not always possible to pull up within a yard or suddenly to steer clear of reckless pedestrians. In some cases which I have personally observed, lives have been saved only by the highest skill on the part of drivers whose cars were running well below the 20-mile limit in London streets or on suburban roads, and in some of those cases not even skill could avoid dangerous skidding.

On the subject of skidding, especially in its most paralyzing form, front-wheel skidding, I have to offer a suggestion which motorists may find valuable. At the beginning of the autumn I put strong new tyres on the front wheels of my car, though, like the back wheel tyres, they were still in pretty good condition. Nevertheless I had three front-wheel skids at various places in London when "cornering," although I was driving at less than ten miles an hour on third speed with the clutch in. Thanks to these precautions, anything like an accident was avoided. But the experience was unpleasant. Careful experiment, with expert professional assistance, revealed the fact that one of the front wheel tyres was slightly less inflated than the other, and that, in cornering, the anti-skid surface of that tyre became depressed so that the smooth portion of it touched the road. Full inflation of both tyres at once corrected this defect. As an extra precaution I have now put fully inflated new tyres on the back wheels also, so that no failure of the back wheels to grip the road surface to the fullest extent may, in future, throw any extra strain on the front wheels.



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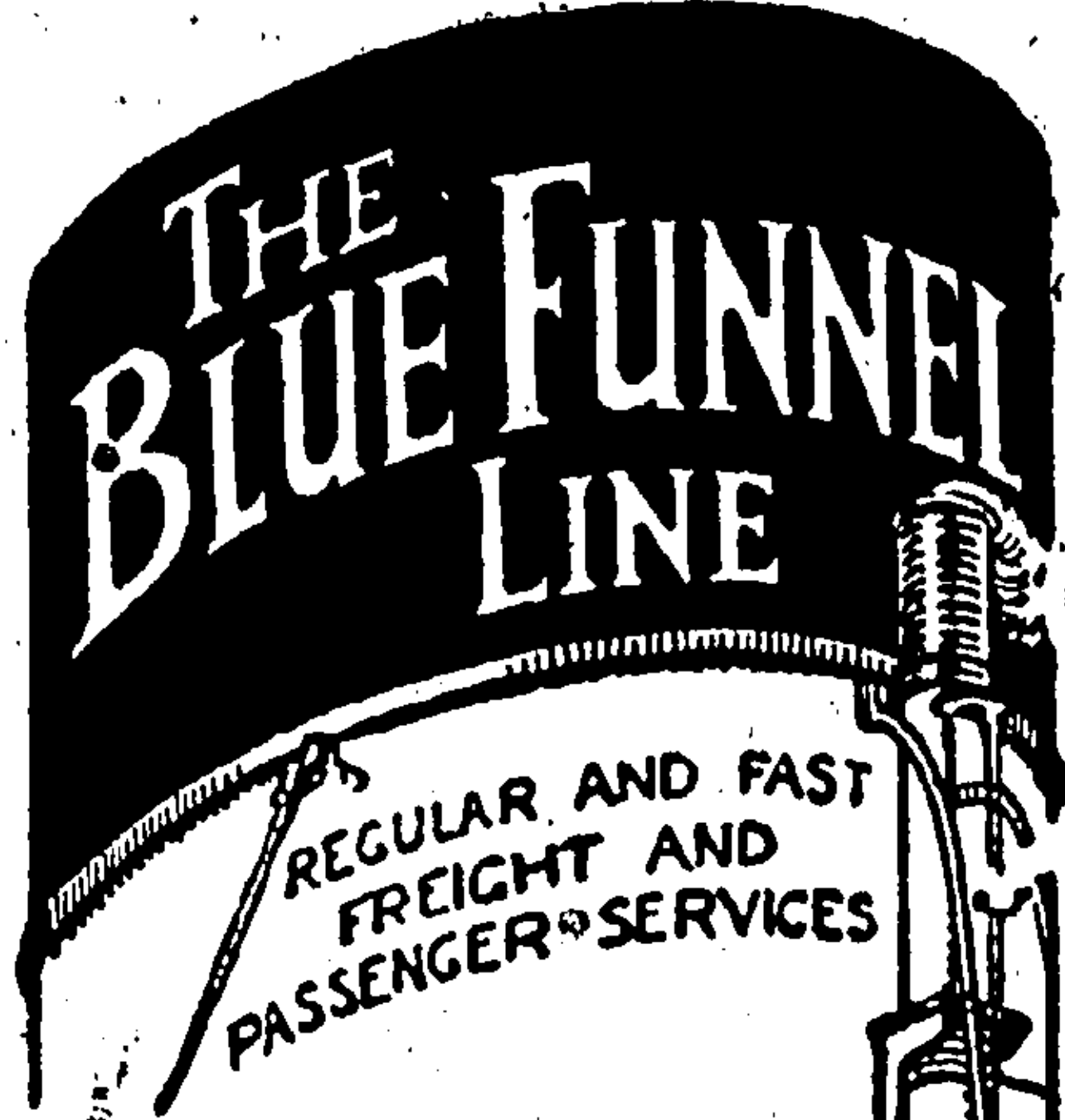
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Manila	Stuart Dollar	5 p.m.
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DISCORDANT NOTE AT CONFERENCE

ITALIAN DELEGATE SAYS TARIFF TRUCE IS PREMATURE

"THINK IT OVER FIRST"

Geneva, Yesterday. A discordant note was struck at the Tariff Truce conference by Signor Bottai, (Italy) who declared that the multi lateral and economic agreements and the agreement for a tariff truce was at present premature. He advocated that each country should adopt a series of measures of transformation and adaptation and return to Geneva at a more propitious moment. Signor Bottai emphasised the importance of bi-lateral agreements.—Reuter.

CLOSER ECONOMIC AMITY NEEDED

PROBLEM OF BRITISH COLONIES TO BE DISCUSSED

Rugby, Yesterday. The Premier announced that the opening meeting of the Imperial Conference would take place in London on September 30. Asked what steps he proposed to take to ensure closer economic relationships between Great Britain and the Dominions and Colonies, Mr. MacDonald said some aspects, at least, of the problem would be discussed at the forthcoming Imperial Conference, and he hoped that some definite conclusions would be reached.—British Wireless Service.

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"CONSPICUOUS SERVICE"

London, Yesterday. In the House of Commons at question time, Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord, pointed out that the Indian guards from the Hong Kong Police, from whom the guards who rendered such conspicuous service in the case of the steamer Hatching were drawn, would still continue to be available after April 1 for merchantmen for anti-piracy purposes when the supply of armed guards from His Majesty's forces ceased.—Reuter.



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